RESOLUTION NO. 2001 - 41

AUTHORIZING A LIMITED WAIVER OF FIXED-ROUTE FARES FOR PARATRANSIT USERS

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Complementary Paratransit program is designed to provide service required by the Federal Transit Administration's ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) regulations, while also providing additional service not required by the ADA regulations; and

WHEREAS, the GCRTA's Paratransit program is open to all ADA-certified individuals, and also to "grandparented seniors" (i.e., non-ADA-certified individuals born before 1932); and

WHEREAS, the average daily volume of Paratransit trip requests has grown by more than 20 percent in the past two years; and

WHEREAS, capacity limitations have necessitated turning down some requests for service each day, including some requests for service required by the ADA regulations; and

WHEREAS, the ADA regulations specify that requests for service required by the ADA regulations cannot routinely be denied due to "capacity constraints";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That, to ease the demand for Paratransit service, the CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer is hereby directed to offer to all ADA-certified Paratransit customers (i.e. Categories I and III) a special personalized pass entitling them to fare-free use of the GCRTA fixed-route system for a trial period ending April 30, 2002.

Section 2. That, to further ease the demand for Paratransit service, the CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer is hereby directed to offer a similar personalized pass to "grandparented seniors" (defined above) who requested one or more Paratransit trips between April 1, 2000 and February 28, 2001.

Section 3. That the CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer is hereby directed to prepare for Board consideration additional modifications to the Paratransit program to improve its performance while maintaining compliance with the ADA regulations.

Section 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted:	March 27	, 2001	
Attest: CEO, Gen	HACilalı İqral Manager/Sed	cretary-Treasurer	