RESOLUTION NO. 2001 - 59

AUTHORIZING AN INTER-AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH CUYAHOGA COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF WELFARE TO WORK TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT THESE SERVICES

WHEREAS, the United States has passed the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act, and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has replaced the federal entitlement program Aid to Families with Dependent Children with two new programs, Ohio Works First (OWF) and the Prevention, Retention and Contingency Program (PRC); and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the aforesaid laws to provide a meaningful path from unemployment and dependency to employment and financial independence; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified transportation as one of the most critical barriers to self-sufficiency: and,

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) was established to provide public transportation services within Cuyahoga County, and

WHEREAS, the organizational mission of both Cuyahoga County and the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is to serve the population affected and that the solution to the transportation problem requires continuous collaboration between the agencies; and

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County and the Authority have been successfully collaborating and have demonstrated the ability successfully solve these transportation problems and now need to renew their agreement; and,

WHEREAS, Federal, State and Local funds have been made available and will continue to be made available to support the Welfare to Work Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority deems the transportation agreement with Cuyahoga County, to continue to be in the best interest of the Authority.

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

Section 1. That the General Manager of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is hereby authorized to enter into an Inter-Agency agreement with Cuyahoga County for the continuing provision of Welfare-to-Work Transportation Services through June 30, 2001.

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Section 2. That the General Manager of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is hereby authorized to file and execute grant applications and funding requests with the Federal Transit Administration, State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County, the Growth Association, and any other source identified.

Section 3. That the General Manager of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is hereby authorized to accept funds from the Federal Transit Administration, State of Ohio, Cuyahoga, the Growth Association, and any other source identified to continue the program described in the Inter-Agency Agreement and expend such funds in furtherance of the program

Section 4. That the remaining terms of said Agreement shall be as in agreed to by the parties subject to and in the best interest of the GCRTA, State and Federal law, this Board's Policies and all other regulations governing the conduct of the GCRTA and Cuyahoga County

Section 5. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

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Adopted:	April 24	, 2001	D N/III	
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Attest:

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer