RESOLUTION NO. 2004 - 101

AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OVERALL ANNUAL GOAL FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2005

WHEREAS, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century and the Federal Transit Administration regulations for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, Section 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, require the establishment of an overall goal for the participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in federally funded contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's DBE Program requires that the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer establish an overall goal for the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in all contracts let by the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority during each Federal Fiscal Year (FFY); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration DBE Program guidelines, the Authority has developed the overall annual goal of 21% for DBE participation in federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority in FFY 2005; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer has met with executive staff to finalize the overall annual goal for DBE participation in Authority contracts during FFY 2005 commencing October 1, 2004.

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

Section 1. That the overall annual goal for DBE participation is set at 21% of the total dollar amount of federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority during FFY 2005.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer is directed to advise the Federal Transit Administration accordingly and publish this goal in accordance with the requirements of the DBE Program.

Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: ______, 2004

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Attest:

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OVERALL ANNUAL	Resolution No.: 2004- 101
GOAL FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2005.	Date: July 15, 2004
	Initiator: Office of Business Development
ACTION REQUEST:	
d Approval □ Review/Comment □ Information Only □ Other	***************************************

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to establish an overall Annual Goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation for Federal Fiscal Year 2005.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration regulations for its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, Section 49 of the Code of Federal Regulation Part 26, as amended, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, as a recipient of funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), is required to establish an annual DBE participation goal each Federal Fiscal Year.

The purpose of the DBE program is to encourage and create a level playing field for DBEs so they can fairly compete in all facets of the Authority's purchasing activities. The program objective will have a positive impact on the number and quality of the bids received as well as the image of the Authority in the DBE community.

- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: This action is in conformance with the GCRTA Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program adopted by the Board of Trustees.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This action supports the continuation of GCRTA's eligibility for federal financial assistance. The Federal Transit Administration provides grants in support of GCRTA's Capital Program.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Disapprove the establishment of the overall annual goal for DBE participation. Disapproval of the FTA overall DBE annual goal would impact and delay the approval of grants by FTA.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees reviewed the Annual Goal at its July 6, 2004 meeting and recommended approval to the full Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the resolution for an annual goal of 21% for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation in federally funded contracts be approved for the Authority for Federal Fiscal Year 2005.

9.0 ATTACHMENTS: Does not apply.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer