

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-118

AUTHORIZING GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
MEMBERSHIP IN THE NORTHEAST OHIO LEAGUE FOR LEADERSHIP AND
ADVOCACY

WHEREAS, Northeast Ohio represents the greatest concentration of population in the State of Ohio: and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the townships, municipalities and counties of Northeast Ohio deserve strong representation in policy-making decisions made by state and federal legislators; and

WHEREAS, the publicly elected officials of the townships, municipalities and counties of Northeast Ohio recognize the need for such vigorous action to impact and influence the state and federal governments on behalf of the citizens of Northeast Ohio; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) to join the Northeast Ohio League for Leadership and Advocacy (NOLLA) and participate in its initiatives.

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

Section 1. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is hereby authorized to join the Northeast Ohio League for Leadership and Advocacy.

Section 2. That the President of the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, or his designee, is hereby authorized to represent the Authority and participate with that body of publicly elected officials of the townships, municipalities and counties of Northeast to prioritize issues, devise strategic actions and methods for meaningful impact and influence on elected officials of the state and federal government.

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

Adopted: June 20, 2006

President

Attest: _____
CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AUTHORIZING GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP IN THE NORTHEAST OHIO LEAGUE FOR LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY	Resolution No.: 2006-118
	Date: June 19, 2006
	Initiator: External Affairs
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** To establish the authority for Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority to join and participate with elected officials of townships, municipalities and counties in Northeast Ohio to influence policy-making decisions made by state and federal legislators.
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** The Authority has the opportunity to join the Northeast Ohio League for Leadership and Advocacy (NOLLA), which is a joint, cooperative organization designed to advance the interests of Northeast Ohio. A voluntary organization, comprised of elected officials from county, municipal and township governments, NOLLA will provide a forum to prioritize local and county issues and then devise the strategic actions necessary to impact and influence elected officials at the state and federal levels. It is in the best interests of the Authority to participate in the NOLLA.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** Does not apply.
- 4.0 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND:** Does not apply.
- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** This will support the Authority's many policies, which support advancement of the interests of Northeast Ohio.
- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** None. There is no requirement to pay dues to this voluntary organization.
- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** Not join. If the Authority does not join, it will miss this opportunity to participate in forums to prioritize local and county issues.
- 8.0 **RECOMMENDATION:** That the Authority join this organization and authorize the President of the Board of Trustees, or his designee, to represent the Authority and participate in the organization's initiatives.
- 9.0 **ATTACHMENTS:** None.

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

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer