RESOLUTION NO. 2009-21

EXPRESSING THE GREAT SORROW OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE ENTIRE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AT THE PASSING OF FORMER BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER, BRUCE P. FOSTER, AND EXTENDING THEIR CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY

WHEREAS, Bruce P. Foster served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority from March 1987 to May 1990; and

WHEREAS, Bruce P. Foster began his transit career in 1944 with CTS as a streetcar motorman out of Woodhill Station and then progressed on to operator of the trackless trolley and buses; and

WHEREAS, Bruce P. Foster was a man of unrelenting passion and spirit, advocating for the needs of his fellow transit workers, and served at the forefront of the mass transit labor movement in the country as President of the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 268, Vice President and then Executive Board Member of the International Amalgamated Transit Union, and overseer of Local 268 when it went into receivership; and

WHEREAS, Bruce P. Foster dedicated his life to public service, having served as an active member of the NAACP, Black Labor Leaders Caucus, Ohio Lottery Commission, Greater Cleveland Round Table, the Domed Stadium Committee, Operation Alert and an advisory committee on Cleveland school finances, President of the Cleveland Civil Service Commission, and Vice President of Cleveland AFL-CIO Federation of Labor; and

WHEREAS, Bruce P. Foster was a pillar of our community and a friend to many, having earned the respect and admiration of people from all walks of life, and he will be greatly missed.

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

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees and employees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority hereby honor the memory of Bruce P. Foster and publicly express their sorrow upon his death.

Section 2. That the Board of Trustees and employees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority extend to the family of Bruce P. Foster their most sincere regrets and condolences upon their loss.

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

Adopted: March 24, 2009

Attest:

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer