

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-113

EXPRESSING CONGRATULATIONS TO EDWARD J. OPETT UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY, EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR 38 YEARS OF DEDICATED AND LOYAL SERVICE AND EXTENDING BEST WISHES FOR HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS

WHEREAS, Edward J. Opett has dedicated over 38 years of his life to public service, working tirelessly to improve the quality of life for the citizens of our community; and

WHEREAS, Edward J. Opett, during his career of over 38 years with the Cleveland Transit System (CTS) and the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA), held a number of positions including Legal Intern; Assistant General Counsel – Litigation; Chief Assistant General Counsel – Administrative Law; Acting General Manager/Legal; Deputy General Counsel and Senior Counsel – Administrative and Labor Law; and

WHEREAS, Edward J. Opett has provided priceless support to RTA in his various positions for the Cleveland Transit System/Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, including his work to finalize the acquisition of suburban satellite systems to complete the regionalization of GCRTA; and

WHEREAS, in his role as Senior Counsel - Administrative and Labor Law, Edward J. Opett worked tirelessly in supervising legal work regarding the development and interpretation of GCRTA policies, public records, all labor management issues including labor arbitrations, Workers' Compensation hearings, and subpoenas; and

WHEREAS, Edward J. Opett has served as President of the Ohio Self-Insurers Association, as President of the Self-Insurers Group of Ohio and as a member of the American Public Transit Association Legal Affairs Committee and the Ohio State and American Bar Associations; and

WHEREAS, Edward J. Opett's diligence in his job performance and enlightening character are of immeasurable value to the GCRTA and the people he has served over the last 38 years.

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

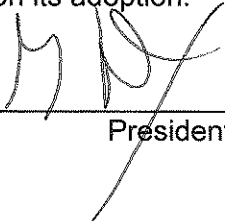
Section 1. That the Board of Trustees expresses its gratitude to Edward J. Opett for his diligence, insightful contributions and dedicated service to the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority.

Section 2. That the Board of Trustees offers its best wishes to Edward J. Opett and hopes he will enjoy his upcoming retirement.

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

Adopted: December 18, 2012

Attest: 
CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



President