

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-104

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, JESSE O. ANDERSON, AND EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY

WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson dedicated 24 years of service to the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("GCRTA") by serving on the Board from 1990 to 2014, including serving as Chairperson of the Operations Committee, as Vice Chair of the Planning and Development Committee, and as a member of various Board committees; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Anderson's tenure on the Board, GCRTA has increased ridership, lobbied for increased funding, controlled operating expenses, developed programs to serve persons with disabilities and held numerous ribbon cuttings for transit centers, Park-N-Ride lots, bus garages, and the 2008 opening of the \$200 million HealthLine BRT, creating more than \$6 billion in development along Euclid Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Caucus Room in the GCRTA's Main Office Building was renamed the Jesse O. Anderson Caucus Room, July 1, 2014, in celebration of his 24 years of service to the community on the GCRTA Board; and

WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson was a strong and influential advocate for persons with disabilities for more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson founded and was a Past President of the Disabled Rights Task Force, Inc., served as Past President of the Services for Independent Living, Inc., a trustee for the Disability Network of Ohio, a council member for the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, and a member of the Cuyahoga County Commissioner's Advisory Committee for Disabled Persons; and

WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson, was an active member of the American Public Transportation Association, as a regional representative for the Governing Board for two terms, serving on the Board of Directors for the American Public Transportation Foundation and serving on numerous APTA committees, including, Diversity Council, Access Committee, and Human Resource Committee; and

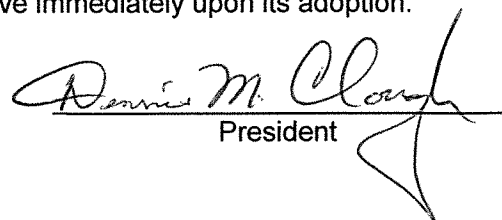
WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson served as a board member on the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, as officer of the Easter Seals Society of Cleveland and Ohio and as a member of the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials.

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, Executive Management Team and GCRTA staff hereby honor the memory of Jesse O. Anderson, and publicly express their sorrow upon his death and extend condolences to his family.

Section 2. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: December 19, 2017


President

Attest:


CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer