RESOLUTION NO. 2018-92

AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A THREE-YEAR OVERALL ANNUAL GOAL FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PARTICIPATION IN THE AUTHORITY'S FEDERALLY FUNDED CONTRACT PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2019-2021, AND ITS SUBMISSION TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and the Federal Transit Administration regulations for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, require the establishment of an overall goal for the participation of DBEs in federally funded contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's DBE Program requires that the Interim CEO General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer establish a three-year DBE goal for the use of DBEs in contracts led by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration DBE Program guidelines, the Authority has developed a three-year overall annual goal of 22.5% for DBE participation in federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority in Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2019-2021; and

WHEREAS, the Interim CEO General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer has met with executive staff to propose a three-year overall annual goal for DBE participation in Authority contracts during FFYs 2019-2021, commencing October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2021.

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

Section 1. That the three-year overall annual goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation is set at 22.5% of the total dollar amount of federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority during Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2019-2021.

Section 2. That the Interim CEO 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 the three-year overall annual goal hereby established for FFYs 2019-2021 is subject to review, modification, and approval by the Federal Transit Administration.

Section 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: September 18, 2018

Attest:

President

Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:	Resolution No.: 2018-92
ESTABLISHMENT OF A THREE-YEAR OVERALL ANNUAL DBE GOAL FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2019 THRU 2021	Date: September 13, 2018 Initiator:
	Office of Business Development
ACTION REQUEST:	
☐ Approval ☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to establish a three-year overall annual goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation for Federal Fiscal Years 2019 thru 2021.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations for its DBE program, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, as amended, the Authority, as a recipient of funding from the FTA, is required to establish a three-year DBE participation goal.

The purpose of the DBE program is to help create a level playing field as related to past community-wide disparities in local contracting opportunities, so that DBE firms can more fairly compete in all facets of local contracting opportunities. The program objectives are to increase the number and quality of bids received from and contracting done with DBE firms.

- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: In compliance with federal regulations and guidelines, the Authority proposes a three-year overall annual goal of 22.5% relative to DBE participation, in the aggregate, of all federally-assisted contracts of \$25,000 or more awarded by the Authority during FFYs 2019 thru 2021.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: This action is required to comply with the Authority's DBE Program and the Code of Federal Regulations, 49 CFR Part 26.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This action supports the continuation of GCRTA's eligibility for federal financial assistance. FTA provides grants in support of GCRTA's Capital Program.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Disapprove the establishment of the three-year overall annual goal for DBE participation. Disapproval of the three-year overall annual DBE goal would adversely impact and delay the awarding and approval of grants by FTA.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The proposed DBE goal for FFYs 2019 thru 2021 was reviewed by the Board at the Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee at its September 11, 2018 meeting and recommended for approval by the Board of Trustees. Staff recommends approval of the resolution to establish an overall DBE goal of 22.5% for DBE participation in federally assisted contracts for FFYs 2019 thru 2021.
- 9.0 ATTACHMENTS: None

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

Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer