

RESOLUTION 2019-88

AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CEO, GENERAL MANAGER/SECRETARY-TREASURER, TO ENTER INTO AN UPDATED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI), ESTABLISHING THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH TRANSIT POLICE OFFICERS MAY BE DETAILED TO AND/OR ASSOCIATED WITH THE LOCAL JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE (JTTF) CREATED BY THE FBI

WHEREAS, under the authority of the GCRTA Board of Trustees, the GCRTA Transit Police have participated in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) local Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF) since November 2007 pursuant to Resolution No. 2007-084 approved in June 2007 by the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, major past terrorist attacks on public transportation facilities in London, England and Madrid, Spain underscore the unique vulnerability of public transportation facilities to terrorist actions and that terrorism is a continuing threat; and

WHEREAS, the Authority seeks to effectively protect the Authority, its employees and transit passengers from the threat of terrorism; and

WHEREAS, coordination among federal, state and local law enforcement agencies is critical to establishing an effective counterterrorism effort; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice, FBI is the lead domestic agency directing the nation's counterterrorism effort; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to national policy on counterterrorism, as set forth in Presidential Directives, the FBI established the National Joint Terrorism Task Force and local JTTFs for the purpose of coordinating the counterterrorism activities of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer has determined that the Authority will benefit by continuing to participate in the JTTF as a participating agency and by having one or more transit police officers assigned to work with the JTTF as required.

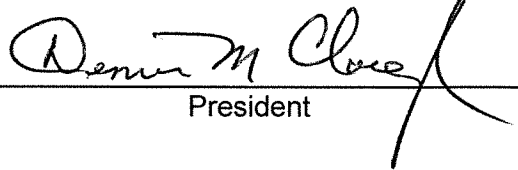
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. The Memorandum of Understanding between the Authority and the U.S. Department of Justice, FBI, establishing the parameters for the detail of transit police officers from the Authority to the FBI-led JTTF working in this area be and the same is hereby accepted as in the best interest of the Authority.

Section 2. That the Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into an updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Authority and the U.S. Department of Justice, FBI.

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

Adopted: August 20, 2019



President

Attest: 

Interim CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



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	Date: August 15, 2019
	Initiator: Transit Police
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: This resolution will allow the Authority to enter into an updated Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to establish the conditions under which GCRTA Transit Police Officers may be detailed to participate in the National and/or local Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF).
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Transportation systems have been the targets of international terrorists as evidenced by the past attacks on the Madrid, London and Mubai systems. The federal government has described the JTTF as the foremost law enforcement weapon against terrorism. A GCRTA Transit Police Officer has been assigned to the local JTTF since March 27, 2006. This updated agreement formalizes the conditions for this assignment.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: The salary of the GCRTA Transit Police Officer is paid by the GCRTA. Overtime costs, vehicle costs, training costs and associated administrative or investigative costs are borne by the FBI.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: None.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board adopt this resolution as proposed.
- 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