RESOLUTION NO. 2015-63

HONORING JESSE O. ANDERSON FOR HIS COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION TO THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND SERVING ON ITS BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR 24 YEARS

WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson has dedicated 24 years of service to the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority by serving on the Board since 1990, 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, Jesse O. Anderson has been a strong and influential advocate for persons with disabilities for more than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson founded and is a Past President of the Disabled Rights Task Force, Inc., has 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, 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, Jesse O. Anderson, has been 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 (APTF) and serving on numerous APTA committees, including, Diversity Council, Access Committee, and Human Resource Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jesse O. Anderson has also 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 (COMTO).

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 express their most sincere appreciation to Jesse O. Anderson for his commitment, contributions and service.

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

Adopted: July 28, 2015

President

Attest:

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer