RESOLUTION NO. 2017-106

EXPRESSING CONGRATULATIONS TO FRANK J. POLIVKA UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY, EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR 15 YEARS OF DEDICATED AND LOYAL SERVICE AND EXTENDING BEST WISHES FOR HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS

WHEREAS, Frank Polivka has dedicated 48 years to public service, working tirelessly in the U.S. Armed Forces and in the areas of transit, government relations, and procurement; and

WHEREAS, Frank Polivka, a veteran of the Vietnam War, served two tours as a door gunner aboard a U.S. Army helicopter, helped to establish Laketran as a transit provider of choice, working to secure funding while in its infancy and eventually holding the position of General Manager; and

WHEREAS, Frank Polivka, during his 15 years with the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("GCRTA") as the Director of Procurement, was responsible for the management of all procurement activities, from the purchasing of computer equipment and articulated buses to the construction of multi-million dollar transit rail stations. Under his leadership, the GCRTA Procurement Department has received recognition from FTA for outstanding fiscal management and compliance with FTA's procurement regulations; and

WHEREAS, under his direction, the GCRTA adopted and enacted the Procurement Policy in the Codified Rules and Regulations of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, as well as procurement procedures that comply with all federal, state and local procurement requirements; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as GCRTA's Director of Procurement, Frank Polivka oversaw 21 procurement audits, with outstanding results, thereby ensuring that state and federal grants continued to be awarded to GCRTA; and

WHEREAS, Frank Polivka has always shown compassion for the disadvantaged and with his leadership hosting the GCRTA Annual Golf Outing, he has been able to raise an average of \$10,000 per year for the Paralyzed Veterans of America; and

WHEREAS, Frank Polivka has displayed exemplary leadership and through his hard work and commitment, has contributed to GCRTA's mission to provide safe, reliable, clean and courteous public transportation for its customers, and earned the respect and admiration of colleagues, transit officials nationwide, and all those who have had the fortune of serving under his direction.

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 Frank Polivka for his diligence, insightful contributions and dedicated service to the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, its customers and the region.

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

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

Adopted: December 19, 2017

President.

Attest:

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer