

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-105

IN TRIBUTE TO BOARD TRUSTEE REVEREND DR. CHARLES P. LUCAS, JR., FOR HIS UNWAVERING PUBLIC SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND THIS COMMUNITY, AND EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY AT HIS PASSING

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Authority ("GCRTA") by the City of Cleveland on February 16, 2016, and served with dedication and commitment for over nine (9) years until his passing on November 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. performed admirably in many Board of Trustees roles, including as President of the Board from March 2021 to March 2024, Vice President from June 2018 to March 2021, Past Chair, Organizational Services and Performance Monitoring Committee, and Past Chair, External & Stakeholder Relations & Advocacy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. served with distinction as Chair of the Board's Ad Hoc Paratransit Committee, using his personal experiences, compassion and sensitivity, particularly for the elderly and disabled, to effectively advocate for paratransit riders as well as for all regional customers; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. was Pastor Emeritus of St. James African Methodist Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. was also past President and member of the Cleveland branch of the NAACP.

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

Section 1. That the GCRTA Board of Trustees, General Manager, Chief Executive Officer, and staff hereby extend tribute and honor to Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. in recognition and in memory of the life he lived and the unwavering public service he gave, and further publicly express their sorrow upon his death and extend condolences to his family.

Section 2. That the GCRTA Board of Trustees, General Manager, Chief Executive Officer, and staff hereby express their appreciation for his dedication to meeting the needs of all residents of Cuyahoga County.

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

Adopted: November 18, 2025



President

Attest: 

Secretary-Treasurer