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RESOLUTION NO. 24-072

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STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ORLEANS

**AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT
SERVICES (EDS) FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES**

Introduced by Commissioner Walton,
seconded by Commissioner Colin.

WHEREAS, the RTA is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana;

WHEREAS, the Regional Transit Authority requires janitorial services to maintain its operating facilities; and

WHEREAS, WHEREAS, the Employment Development EDS is a non-profit agency, whose principal address is located at 9800 Airline Hwy. Suite 255, Baton Rouge, LA 70816;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, and related statutes, the RTA may enter into cooperative endeavors with the State of Louisiana, its political subdivisions and corporations, the United States and its agencies, and any public or private corporation, association, or individual with regard to cooperative financing and other economic development activities, the procurement and development of immovable property, joint planning and implementation of public works, the joint use of facilities, joint research and program implementation activities, joint funding initiatives, and other similar activities in support of public education, community development, housing rehabilitation, economic growth, and other public purposes;

WHEREAS, the RTA and EDS desire to accomplish a valuable public purpose of providing employment opportunities to individuals with disabilities;



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WHEREAS, EDS is responsible through a state-use program for creating job opportunities for individuals with disabilities in our communities;

WHEREAS, EDS partners with local community-certified work centers to provide a variety of services, including janitorial services for various agencies; and

WHEREAS, the RTA and EDS desire to implement a one-year pilot program to provide janitorial services at RTA facilities by persons with disabilities;

WHEREAS, the funding for these services is available through local funds account 01-2843-7621-124, with an annual estimated cost of **FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE DOLLARS AND SIXTEEN CENTS** (\$555,321.16); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) that the Chairman of the Board, or his designee, is authorized to enter into a CEA agreement with Employment Development Services for janitorial services.

THE FOREGOING WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:	<u>5</u>
NAYS:	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>
ABSENT:	<u>1</u>

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fred A. Neal, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

FRED A. NEAL, JR
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS