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RESOLUTION NO. 21-026

STATE OF LOUISIANA

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**AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW STAFF TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO
ENHANCE CYBER AND PHYSICAL SECURITY**

Introduced by Commissioner Wegner,
seconded by Commissioner Sarwar.

WHEREAS, the New Orleans Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is requesting approval to apply for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Fiscal Year 2021 Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) in the amount not to exceed \$18,000,000 to fund enhanced Cyber and Physical Security; and

WHEREAS, staff is requesting \$18 million for solutions that will enhance the protection of soft targets/crowded places, and address emerging threats; and

WHEREAS, this will include replacing outdated technology that makes the agency vulnerable to threats of cyber or physical attacks; and

WHEREAS, additionally, if awarded grant request will include enhanced communication tools that will assist proactively preventing, managing response, and interacting with, other first responders if needed; and

WHEREAS, lastly the grant will provide funds to develop and implement planning, training, and awareness campaigns for staff; and.



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WHEREAS, the grant is 100% funded by DHS/FEMA. There will some staff time required to participate in or establish a Regional Transit Security Working Group (RTSWG); 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 allow staff to submit a Grant Application for Federal Funds to enhance Cyber and Physical Security.

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

YEAS:	<u>7</u>
NAYS:	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>
ABSENT:	<u>1</u>

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE 27th DAY OF APRIL, 2021.



FLOZELL DANIELS
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS