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RESOLUTION NO. 25-068

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ORLEANS

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE NEW ORLEANS REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND AUDUBON
NATURE INSTITUTE, INC. FOR FRENCH MARKET STREETCAR STATION
IMPROVEMENTS**

Introduced by Commissioner Sams,
seconded by Commissioner Colin.

WHEREAS, the New Orleans Regional Transit Authority (“RTA”) owns and operates the Riverfront Streetcar line and associated stops, including the French Market Streetcar Station (the “Station”); and

WHEREAS, Audubon Nature Institute, Inc. (“Audubon”), is leading the Riverfront for All project which includes redevelopment of the Governor Nicholls Street Wharf, and has proposed undertaking certain improvements to the Station and vicinity to enhance pedestrian access and the appearance of the Station (“Station Improvements”); and

WHEREAS, Audubon will undertake the Station Improvements at Audubon’s sole cost and in coordination with RTA service, safety, and branding requirements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, and related statutes, the RTA may enter cooperative endeavors with the State of Louisiana, its political subdivisions and corporations, and any public or private corporation, association, or individual for, among other public purposes, joint planning and implementation of public works; and



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WHEREAS, the RTA and Audubon have mutually agreed on the preliminary terms of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (“CEA”) that will allow Audubon to design, permit, and construct the Station Improvements at no cost to the RTA; and

WHEREAS, the CEA contains other customary provisions including RTA’s review of the Station Improvements, coordination between RTA and Audubon, indemnification language, and termination language; and

WHEREAS, the final terms of the CEA will be reviewed and approved by the respective legal departments of RTA and Audubon prior to signature; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Regional Transit Authority that the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Audubon Nature Institute, Inc., subject to the prior review and approval of RTA’s legal department, for improvements to the French Market Streetcar Station and vicinity.



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

YEAS:	<u>4</u>
NAYS:	<u>0</u>
ABSTAIN:	<u>0</u>
ABSENT:	<u>3</u>

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE 18th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fred Neal, Jr." or a similar variation.

FRED NEAL, JR.
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS