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STATE OF LOUISIANA	
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## AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR FY2024/2025 PROTECT RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Introduced by Commissioner <u>Daniels</u>, seconded by Commissioner <u>Colin</u>.

**WHEREAS**, the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is committed to improving the resilience of its transportation infrastructure to natural hazards, climate change, and extreme weather events, aligning with regional climate adaptation and hazard mitigation goals;

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced a competitive funding opportunity through the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program, with \$876 million available for FY2024/2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTA seeks to enhance the resilience of its bus stop infrastructure by installing 200 shelters across its service area; and

WHEREAS, this project is anticipated to improve passenger comfort and safety, particularly in extreme weather conditions, through the implementation of new shelter designs developed in collaboration with the community and aligned with ongoing site improvement initiatives; and



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WHEREAS, the total project cost is estimated to not exceed \$10 million, with up to \$8 million requested through the PROTECT Resilience Improvement Grant Program and a local match of up to \$2 million, to be funded through RTA's capital budget; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) that the Chairman of the Board, or their designee, is authorized to submit an application for the FY2024/2025 PROTECT Resilience Improvement Program with a local match not to exceed \$2 million and to execute any and all agreements, certifications, and other necessary documentation required to effectuate the grant application.

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

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FRED A. NEAL, JR.
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS