

RESOLUTION NO. 23-009

STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF ORLEANS

AUTHORIZATION TO AUTHORIZE THE RTA CEO TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT ("CEA") BETWEEN THE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS ("CITY") FOR THE PROVISION OF TRANSIT SERVICES TO THE NEW ORLEANS POLICE DEPARTMENT ("NOPD") AND THE NEW ORLEANS SANITATION DEPARTMENT ("NOSD") MARDI GRAS 2023-2025 SEASONS.

Introduced by Commissioner <u>Neal</u>, seconded by Commissioner

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana provides that "For a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual;" and

WHEREAS, the City has transportation limitations, which require additional transportation services to deliver New Orleans Police Department employees "*police officers*" and New Orleans Sanitation Department employees "*clean up personnel*" to special event sites; and

WHEREAS, the New Orleans Sanitation Department is required to remove post-parade trash and debris that significantly impact the fixed guideway routes of the St. Charles Streetcar, Canal Streetcar, Loyola Avenue Streetcar, Rampart St. Claude Streetcar, and many other bus routes in New Orleans. The RTA shall assist the City of New Orleans by transporting "trash and debris" removal personnel to restore pre-parade services as quickly as possible; and

WHEREAS, the RTA has annually provided similar transportation services to the city; and

WHEREAS, the RTA is willing to provide critical transportation services to NOPD and NOSD, for the 2023-2025 Mardi Gras parade seasons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Regional Transit Authority hereby authorizes the RTA CEO to negotiate and execute a CEA with the City of New Orleans for the purpose of providing passenger bus transportation services, for the 2023-2025 Mardi Gras Parade Seasons.

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

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

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE <u>24TH</u> DAY OF <u>JANUARY</u>, 2023.

MARK RAYMOND, JR. CHAIRMAN RTA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS