



Regional Transit Authority  
2817 Canal Street  
New Orleans, LA 70119-6307

RESOLUTION NO. 24-047

FILE ID NO. 24-078

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
PARISH OF ORLEANS

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**TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT (CEA) BETWEEN THE  
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS (CNO)  
AND THE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (RTA)  
TO IMPLEMENT THE ZERO TRANSIT FARE FOR OPPORTUNITY YOUTH PROGRAM  
AND TO RECEIVE FUNDING TOTALING \$2,425,000**

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Introduced by Commissioner Daniels, seconded by Commissioner  
Neal.

**WHEREAS**, the City of New Orleans (CNO) and the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) need to enter a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) for the purpose of implementing a pilot program to facilitate zero-fare transit access to opportunity youth; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Orleans City Council allocated \$2.5 million in American Rescue Plan Act funding for this pilot program; and

**WHEREAS**, the program will provide third-party payment to the RTA so eligible riders may use appropriate fare media at no cost to themselves; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of New Orleans will pay fare prices on the behalf of program participants; and

**WHEREAS**, this CEA sets up the necessary framework for CNO and RTA to utilize funds in the City's Youth Fare Transportation Fund for program activities; and

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**WHEREAS**, the City of New Orleans has allocated \$2,425,000 for the provision of transit services under this program; 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, authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to receive and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with the City of New Orleans for the purpose of establishing the funding to the RTA to facilitate the pilot program entitled "Zero Transit Fare for Opportunity Youth Program."

**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 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2024.**



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**MARK RAYMOND, JR.**  
**CHAIRMAN**  
**RTA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**