



RESOLUTION NO. 23-029

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF ORLEANS

**Authorization to Receive Federal Funding for the NOUPT Upgrade Project
and Enter into an Agreement to Establish RTA Occupancy of the Facility.**

Introduced by Commissioner Neal, seconded by Commissioner LeBeouf.

WHEREAS, RTA submitted and was subsequently awarded a \$5,000,000 appropriation in the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2023 to fund the New Orleans Union Passenger Terminal (NOUPT) Upgrade Project.

WHEREAS, the \$5,000,000 award will fund improvements to NOUPT to include plumbing, electrical, and ADA upgrades, wireless access, asbestos abatement, air conditioning, and other enhancements to make the space second floor suitable for RTA office space.

WHEREAS, RTA occupancy of NOUPT will help facilitate the development of the terminal the main multimodal transit hub needed for plans to connect Baton Rouge, the Louis Armstrong New Orleans Airport to the Downtown New Orleans and the key housing and job nodes in the area like the West Bank and New Orleans East.

WHEREAS, the NOUPT was added to the Regional Planning Commission Transit Improvement Program and the State Transit Improvement Program.

WHEREAS, the RTA is to be responsible for the local match not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.

WHEREAS, the RTA will enter an occupancy agreement with the NOUPT property owner, or its designee to allow the design and construction of building upgrades to make the second floor of the building suitable for RTA administrative offices.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the RTA Board of Commissioners authorizes the CEO or designee to receive federal appropriations for the NOUPT Upgrade Project and to enter an occupancy agreement with the NOUPT property owner or its designee.

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

YEAS:	<u> 6 </u>
NAYS:	<u> 0 </u>
ABSTAIN:	<u> 0 </u>
ABSENT:	<u> 1 </u>

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE 25th DAY OF MONTH, 2023.



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