## GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

## **RESOLUTION NO. 25-22**

WHEREAS, the North East Regional Mobility Authority ("NET RMA") was created pursuant to the request of Gregg and Smith Counties and in accordance with provisions of the Transportation Code and the petition and approval process established in 43 Tex. Admin. Code § 26.1, et seq. (the "RMA Rules"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the NET RMA has been constituted in accordance with the Transportation Code and the RMA Rules; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the initial formation of the NET RMA the Counties of Cherokee, Rusk, Harrison, Upshur, Bowie, Panola, Wood, Van Zandt, Titus, Kaufman, Camp, and Cass joined the NET RMA and are represented on the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Red River Army Depot ("RRAD"), located in Northeast Texas, plays a critical role in national defense by providing maintenance, repair, and overhaul of tactical military vehicles and equipment for the U.S. Army and other military branches; and

WHEREAS, the extensive rail facility network located within the RRAD, when fully utilized, will provide congestion relief from I-30 to the benefit of the Northeast Texas region; and

WHEREAS, RRAD is an economic driver within the Northeast Texas region, and provides job stability and economic activity that are key to the continued growth of the region; and

WHEREAS, the recent Federal-level discussions regarding government-wide spending reductions could jeopardize RRAD's operations, jobs, and regional economic stability; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA is dedicated to implementing infrastructure and mobility projects that will enhance the North East Texas Region's economy, and the continued operations of RRAD is consistent with the NET RMA's goal; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA desires to express its support of maintaining and expanding RRAD's operations to preserve national security, protect regional jobs, and sustain economic development.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the NET RMA supports the continued operations of RRAD and its maintenance and expansion.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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