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

RESOLUTION NO. 22-09

WHEREAS, the North East Texas 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, Titus, Van Zandt, Wood, Kaufman, Camp, and Cass joined the Authority and are represented on the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA is responsible for the operation of Toll 49; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA is currently pursuing the addition of two lanes to the existing section of Toll 49 from SH 64 to SH 31, and to provide a four-lane divided section including the northbound Toll 49 overpass at SH 31 (the "Toll 49 Widening Project"); and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2022, in Resolution No. 22-05, the NET RMA Board of Directors approved Work Authorization No. 3.0 with HNTB Corporation to prepare a federal grant application for the Toll 49 Widening Project; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2022, the United States Department of Transportation (the "USDOT") issued a Notice of Funding Opportunity for discretionary grant opportunities from the Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program, with a May 23, 2022 deadline to submit applications; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA desires to submit an application for a grant from the Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program to facilitate the development of the Toll 49 Widening Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the NET RMA hereby approves the submission to the USDOT of an application for a grant from the Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program for the Toll 49 Widening Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair or his designee is authorized to execute such documents as are necessary to submit the Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program application to the USDOT on behalf of the NET RMA.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 12th day of April, 2022.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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C. Brian Cassidy

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General Counsel for the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority Approved:

Gary Halbrooks

Chair, Board of Directors Date Passed 04/12/22

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