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

## **RESOLUTION NO. 14-32**

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, and Kaufman joined the Authority and are represented on the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 14-23, dated July 15, 2014, the NET RMA Board of Directors approved the hiring of two NET RMA staff positions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to ensure that its employees are provided with appropriate benefits, including a retirement plan and health insurance; and

WHEREAS, the Texas legislature has established the Texas County and District Retirement System ("TCDRS") pursuant to Section 67 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution; and

WHEREAS, TCDRS partners with counties, districts, and other governmental entities in the state of Texas to provide retirement, disability and survivor benefits to public employees; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Municipal League ("TML") has established a MultiState Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool which offers competitive and affordable health benefits and administrative services to eligible municipalities and other governmental entities in the state of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Interim Executive Director recommends that the NET RMA offer its employees retirement and health insurance benefits through participation in TCDRS and the TML MultiState Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the NET RMA hereby authorizes the Interim Executive Director to negotiate the necessary agreements for the provision of retirement and health insurance benefits through TCDRS and the TML MultiState Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Interim Executive Director is authorized to take such actions as may be necessary to facilitate the provision of such benefits.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 9th day of September, 2014.

Submitted and reviewed by:

or Fixley Winland

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

Linda Ryan Thomas

Chair, Board of Directors

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Date Passed 09/09/14