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

RESOLUTION NO. 15-55

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, Wood, Van Zandt, Titus, and Kaufman 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 development of future segments for Toll 49, including Segment 4; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA has determined that an advance funding agreement must be executed with the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") in order to receive loaned or granted funds from federal sources in connection with the development of Toll 49, Segment 4; and

WHEREAS, the Interim Executive Director recommends entering into an advance funding agreement with TxDOT, in the form or substantially the same form attached hereto as Attachment "A".

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the NET RMA hereby authorizes the Interim Executive Director to negotiate, finalize, and execute an advance funding agreement with TxDOT, in the form or substantially the same form attached hereto as <u>Attachment</u> "A".

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 10th day of November, 2015.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Approved:

C. Brian Cassidy

General Counsel for the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority Linda Ryan Thomas

Chair, Board of Directors Resolution Number 15-55

Date Passed: 11/10/15