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

RESOLUTION NO. 16-07

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, efforts are underway to establish long-distance passenger rail service between Fort Worth and Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the Ark-La-Tex Corridor Council, is a coalition made up of cities, counties, political subdivisions, and community leaders building support for interregional and interstate cooperation for the development of long-distance passenger rail service; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA is dedicated to improving mobility in the North East Texas region and throughout the State of Texas, and establishing long-distance passenger rail service is consistent with that goal.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NET RMA Board of Directors supports the efforts of the Ark-La-Tex Corridor Council to establish long-distance passenger rail service between Fort Worth to Atlanta.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 9th day of February, 2016.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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Chair, Board of Directors

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Date Passed 02/09/16