

**RESOLUTION NO 031/2017**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ("MIAMI DDA") OF THE CITY OF MIAMI, FLORIDA OPPOSING ANY BUDGET REDUCTIONS BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ("COUNTY") TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES IN FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018; URGING THE RESTORATION OF METROMOVER AND METRORAIL HOURS AND THE FREQUENCY OF THE METRORAIL ORANGE LINE AND ENCOURAGING THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO WORK ON THE EXPANSION AND ENHANCEMENT OF EXISTING TRANSIT SERVICES WHILE MAKING PLANS FOR THE ADOPTION OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES.

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WHEREAS, the Miami Downtown Development Authority's ("Miami DDA") 2025 Downtown Miami Master Plan states as one of its goals the necessity to "promote transit and regional connectivity" including recommendations to "rebalance roadways toward transit, pedestrians & cyclists" and to "promote neighborhood, metropolitan and regional level transit improvements"; and

WHEREAS, on average, 1.3 million transit trips are generated in Downtown every month; and

WHEREAS, as the economic hub of the region, Downtown is and shall continue to be a neighborhood most accessible by public transportation which serves more than 165,000 employees, 90,000 residents, and 4.74 million annual tourists; and

WHEREAS, Downtown is the arts, cultural, and entertainment center of South Florida, which relies heavily on public transportation to serve the millions of annual visitors attending events; and

WHEREAS, any reduction in public transportation services will adversely impact Downtown's ability to manage event traffic; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to maintain affordability and recruit and retain working class residents in Miami-Dade County ("County"), it is necessary increase public transportation services; and

WHEREAS, the County's efforts to incorporate emerging technologies into its transportation system should not reduce or abandon conventional public transportation modes as these have been proven congestion mitigation tools for more than 100 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF MIAMI, FLORIDA:


Section 1. The recitals and findings contained in the Preamble to this Resolution are adopted by reference and incorporated as if fully set forth in this Section.

Section 2. The Board of Directors of the Miami DDA opposes any budget cuts to public transportation services in the County for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Miami DDA urges the County to restore Metromover and Metrorail hours and the frequency of the Metrorail Orange Line.

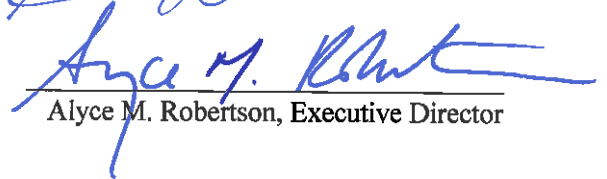
Section 4. The Board of Directors of the Miami DDA encourages the County to continue to work on the expansion and enhancement of existing transit services while making plans for the adoption of emerging technologies.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2017.**



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Commissioner Ken Russell, Chairman



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Alyce M. Robertson, Executive Director

ATTEST:



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Karry Maravilla  
Secretary Board of Directors