MPO RESOLUTION #06-16

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY OF THIS BOARD TO SET AS HIGHEST PRIORITY THE ADVANCEMENT OF RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AND DIRECTING THE MPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO AMEND THE 2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO INCLUDE SAID POLICY

WHEREAS, Title 23 US Code designates and provides the MPO as the lead agency with the authority to carry out the transportation planning process within Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan Update (LRTP) as approved on October 23, 2014, reflects all of the federal MAP-21 National Goals and the 2060 Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) goals. Furthermore, the LRTP addresses all federal, state, regional and local requirements; and

WHEREAS, the MPO Governing Board Chair has emphasized a renewed sense of urgency to improve transit mobility options with the creation of the Transit Solutions Committee and the Fiscal Priorities Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Transit Solutions Committee and the Fiscal Priorities Committee are responsible for identifying immediate opportunities to advance and prioritize funding for mass transit services; and

WHEREAS, this body is responsible for conducting the transportation planning process in Miami-Dade County and recognizes that Rapid Transit Corridor Projects are highest priority and should be advanced in order to provide a comprehensive mobility network that increases regional mobility, reduces congestion, and considers the transportation needs of all residents within the County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA, that the MPO Governing Board hereby establishes a policy to set as highest priority for this community the advancement of Rapid Transit Corridor and transit supportive projects in Miami-Dade County; and directing the MPO Executive Director or designee to amend the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan to include said policy, providing no currently funded projects are negatively impacted.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was sponsored by Vice Chairman Francis Suarez and moved by Vice Chairman Francis Suarez. The motion was seconded by Board Member Rebeca Sosa, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Chairman Jean Monestime -Aye Vice Chairman Francis Suarez -Aye

Board Member Bruno A. Barreiro	-Absent	Board Member Smith Joseph	-Absent
Board Member Esteban Bovo, Jr	-Aye	Board Member Philip Levine	-Absent
Board Member Jose "Pepe" Diaz	-Aye	Board Member Daniella Levine Cava	-Aye
Board Member Audrey M. Edmonson	-Aye	Board Member Dennis C. Moss	-Aye
Board Member Maurice Ferre	-Aye	Board Member Jeff Porter	-Aye
Board Member Oliver Gilbert, III	-Aye	Board Member Rebeca Sosa	-Aye
Board Member Perla Tabares Hantman	-Aye	Board Member Javier D. Souto	-Aye
Board Member Carlos Hernandez	-Absent	Board Member Xavier L. Suarez	-Aye
Board Member Sally A. Heyman	-Absent	Board Member Juan C. Zapata	-Absent
Board Member Barbara J. Jordan	-Ave		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 18th day of February, 2016.

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Zainab Salim, Clerk Miami-Dade MPO