Resolution No. 265-2019

Council Members: McCormack and Hairston

An emergency resolution supporting the appeal for an increase in state investments in public transportation.

WHEREAS, currently, Ohio ranks near the bottom among states for public transportation funding; and

WHEREAS, for too long, Ohio has underinvested in public transportation and alternative transportation options; and

WHEREAS, satisfactory public transportation is an issue of equity: inadequate public transportation options make it harder for many Ohioans to go about their daily lives - get to work, attend class, or see a doctor; and

WHEREAS, State Representatives Skindell and Upchurch have called for an increase in state investment in public transit; and

WHEREAS, reinvesting in the state's infrastructure will attract business and development, connect people to jobs and services and help grow Ohio's economy; and

WHEREAS, public transposition is critical to short- and long-term economic development; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health or safety, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That this Council hereby supports the appeal for an increase in state investments in public transportation.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council is directed to transmit copies of this resolution to all members of the Ohio legislature.

Section 3. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted March 4, 2019.

Effective March 5, 2019.