

## **SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

### **RESOLUTION 2103-10: Supporting NJ TRANSIT's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Safety Performance Targets**

**WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated under federal law for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties; and**

**WHEREAS, Title 23, Sections 134 and 150 of the United States Code requires that each MPO undertake a transportation planning process that shall provide for the establishment and use of a performance-based approach to transportation decision-making to support national goals; and that each MPO shall establish performance targets that address the performance measures to use in tracking progress toward attainment of critical outcomes for the region; and**

**WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration's final rule (49 CFR Part 673) on the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) became effective on July 19, 2019, requiring NJ TRANSIT to establish Safety Performance Targets to address safety performance measures identified in the National Public Transportation Safety Plan (49 CFR §673.11 (a)(3)); and**

**WHEREAS, on May 27, 2016 the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Association (FTA) issued a final rule on metropolitan planning (23 CFR 450 & 771 and 49 CFR 613), under which MPOs have the option to (1) agree to program investments in support of NJ TRANSIT's targets, or (2) set their own quantifiable targets; and**

**WHEREAS, the final rule also requires that MPOs coordinate with the State to set performance targets for the specified measures and integrate those targets into their planning documents and processes; and**

**WHEREAS, in 2020, NJ TRANSIT released its PTASP containing the seven (7) required safety performance measures and targets covering fatalities, injuries, and safety events such as collisions, employee injuries, and major bus fire events; and**

**WHEREAS, NJ TRANSIT also released transit safety targets for its light rail operations, with no light rail within the SJTPO region, adoption light rail operation targets are not required; and**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SJTPO hereby supports the statewide targets for each of the safety performance measures for calendar year 2021 set by NJ TRANSIT as required by the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan Final Rule (49 CFR Part 673); and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SJTPO will program investments that support the achievement of the performance targets in support of the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan.**

