SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 1905-13: Supporting the 2019 Transit Asset Management Performance Measure Targets Set by the New Jersey Transit

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 (FTA) published the final rule, (49 CFR Part 625), on Transit Asset Management (TAM) on July 26, 2016, requiring public transportation providers to develop and adopt transit asset management targets assessing percentage of revenue vehicles (by type) that exceed the useful life benchmark (ULB), the percentage of non-revenue service vehicles (by type) that exceed the ULB, the percentage of facilities (by group) that are rated less than 3.0 on the Transit Economic Requirements model (TERM) Scale, and the percentage of track segments (by mode) that have performance restrictions; 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 must adopt TAM targets no later than 180 days after the State transit providers establishes and reports targets to the National Transit Database on their A-90 Form, and each year thereafter; and

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

WHEREAS, SJTPO coordinated with NJ Transit, New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), and the other MPOs in New Jersey on developing 2019 TAM targets; and

WHEREAS, NJ Transit, NJDOT, in consultation with New Jersey's three MPOs, agreed upon four 2019 quantitative targets for each of the four TAM performance measures identified above, and formally submitted them to the FTA on November 27, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the final TAM Rule (49 CFR Parts 625 and 630) states that 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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SJTPO hereby supports the statewide Transit Asset Management Performance Measure Targets set by NJ Transit, as required by the Transit Asset Management Final Rule (23 CFR Part 490); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SJTPO will program investments that support the achievement of the performance targets in support of the TAMP performance measure targets.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization at its meeting of May 28, 2019.

John/W. Risley, Secretary/T/reasurer