RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TRANSIT BUSES FROM NEW FLYER OF AMERICA INC. FROM THE PIEDMONT AUTHORITY FOR REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BUS CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro desires to purchase five (5) transit buses for use by the Greensboro Transit Authority (GTA) fixed route service; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) developed an Invitation for Bid (IFB) solicitation in coordination and cooperation with the Cities of Greensboro, Burlington, Concord, and High Point and PART's public transit division for the ability to purchase heavy duty buses; and

WHEREAS, the IFB specifically sought prices based on detailed specifications for 35-foot and 40-foot low-floor diesel buses and 35-foot and 40-foot low-floor hybrid electric low-floor buses for a five (5) year period; and

WHEREAS, a total of three (3) heavy duty bus manufacturers participated in the solicitation and two (2) submissions were received and publicly opened on September 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of October, 2014, the PART Board approved contract award to New Flyer of America, Inc as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, each agency identified within the Invitation for Bid (IFB) will issue their own purchase orders with the awarded contractor, New Flyer of America Inc., at the submitted bid price; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these buses will allow GTA to continue its efforts to replace buses that have met their useful life standard of 12 years/500,000 miles; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Greensboro City Council approves the purchase of five (5) 40-foot transit buses from New Flyer of America, Inc.,