## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR GRANT FUNDING FOR J. DOUGLAS GALYON DEPOT GTA AREA RENOVATIONS NEEDED TO INCREASE PASSENGER CAPACITY, IMPROVE TRANSIT OPERATIONS, AND PROVIDE FOR FUTURE GTA RIDERSHIP GROWTH

WHEREAS, the J. Douglas Galyon Depot was renovated for use as a multi-modal transportation center serving the Greensboro Transit Authority (GTA), Greyhound, Carolina Trailways, AMTRAK, and the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) in 2003; and

WHEREAS, since 2003, the GTA annual ridership has doubled to four million riders, and the number of operators has increased from approximately 60 to over 100; and

WHEREAS, the current configuration of the J. Douglas Galyon Depot is inadequate to serve current ridership and operator needs; and

WHEREAS, the Greensboro Department of Transportation/Greensboro Transit Authority commissioned a feasibility study on needed renovations to the J. Douglas Galyon Depot through FTA Section 5303 grant funding in April 2015; and

WHEREAS, the J. Douglas Galyon Depot GTA Ticketing, Call Center, and Waiting Area Improvements Project Feasibility Study was completed on June 30, 3015; and

WHEREAS, the feasibility study proposed a phased design reconfiguring the customer waiting area to a centralized location, expanding the driver's lounge area and public restroom facilities, improving the security and vending areas, relocating staff offices, and creating a public meeting room; and

WHEREAS, these renovations will remove a capacity constraint that currently limits the ability of the GTA to provide an adequate level of service relative to current ridership and operational demands; and

WHEREAS, these renovations will increase the convenience, comfort, and reliability of the service and provide the capacity to accommodate for future ridership growth; and

WHEREAS, the Greensboro Department of Transportation/Greensboro Transit Authority is pursuing FTA Section 5339 grant funding to implement the improvements identified in the J. Douglas Galyon Depot GTA Ticketing, Call Center, and Waiting Area Improvements Project Feasibility Study.

## NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the Greensboro City Council supports renovations to the J. Douglas Galyon Depot GTA Ticketing, Call Center, and Waiting Areas and to pursue FTA Section 5339 discretionary grant funding for that purpose.