ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 25-019

A RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE OF CALIFORNIA TO PROVIDE \$2 BILLION IN NEW, FLEXIBLE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT OVER TWO YEARS.

WHEREAS, fast, frequent, reliable, safe, and affordable public transit is essential for meeting California's climate goals, supporting economic opportunity, addressing the housing shortage, making the state more affordable, and improving quality of life; and

WHEREAS, The Bay Area is a major economic engine for the State of California, and investing in the San Francisco Bay Area's transit system supports the broader economic prosperity of the state; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District has taken several steps to contain and reduce costs, to maximize fare collection, and to improve customer satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Bay Area continues to experience ongoing and dramatic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has reduced transit ridership and multiple sources of revenue; and

WHEREAS, inflationary pressures, labor, fuels, materials, and added safety and cleanliness costs continue to increase the cost of doing business; and

WHEREAS, transit agencies across the state of California are experiencing significant financial pressures that unavoidably lead to drastic cuts in service, staff reductions, and delays to capital investments; and

WHEREAS, local and regional revenue options are being explored to address the financial needs of the Bay Area's regional transit systems, but this funding will not become available before the region's largest operators experience a fiscal cliff and may take multiple election cycles to effectuate; and

WHEREAS, without further state investment, transit service reductions could significantly undermine the San Francisco Bay Area's economic recovery and hinder mobility for residents and workers across the Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the requested \$2 billion in flexible funding over two years (FY 2025-2026 and FY 2026-2027) is critical to sustaining transit operations and capital investments while agencies work toward long-term funding solutions.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District does resolve as follows:

Section 1. Urges the California State Legislature and Governor to allocate \$2 billion in funding for public transit in the upcoming state budget.

Section 2. Directs the District Secretary to transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor of California, legislative leaders, and relevant state officials.

<u>Section 3.</u> Commits to advocating for sustainable and equitable public transit funding to ensure continued economic vitality, environmental sustainability, and affordability for all residents.

<u>Section 4.</u> This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage by four affirmative votes of the Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of April 2025.

Diane Shaw President

Attest:

Linda A. Nemeroff Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

I, Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary for the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 23rd day of April, 2025, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

> Linda A. Nemeroff Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

Approved as to Form and Content:

Aimee L. Steele General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer