## ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 24-039

## A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION AND BEST WISHES TO JOVANKA BECKLES FOR DEDICATED SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE AC TRANSIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF WARD 1

WHEREAS, Jovanka Beckles was elected to the AC Transit Board of Directors in November 2020 to represent the constituents of Ward 1, which includes the Cities of Albany, El Cerrito, Richmond, San Pablo and a portion of Berkeley as well as the unincorporated areas of El Sobrante, Kensington and North Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Jovanka Beckles served dutifully on the Board of Directors for four years, and during this time, served as the Chair of Operations Committee in 2021 and as Chair of the Planning Committee in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Jovanka Beckles dedicated her time on the Board of Directors to championing quality service for senior and disabled bus riders across the District. Her advocacy focused on ensuring that these communities received the support and accessibility they need for reliable transportation and worked to raise awareness of their unique challenges and to implement solutions that enhance their travel experience; and

WHEREAS, Jovanka Beckles has been a passionate advocate for transit workers, consistently emphasizing their rights and the importance of improving their working conditions. During the COVID-19 pandemic, she strongly supported the District's vaccine mandate and championed various measures aimed at safeguarding both the public and transit workers, and her commitment to ensuring a safe and equitable environment for all is evident in her tireless efforts; and

WHEREAS, Jovanka Beckles was instrumental in the formation of the City of Richmond/AC Transit Inter-agency Liaison Committee and served faithfully on the committee throughout her tenure on the Board and also served as a member of the City of Berkeley/AC Transit Inter-agency Liaison Committee and was appointed to represent AC Transit on the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS,** Jovanka Beckles leadership on the Board of Directors is characterized by a commitment to social justice, striving to ensure that marginalized communities have equitable access to transit options, and advocacy for inclusive policies and a vision for a more sustainable, accessible transit system.

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

**Section 1.** The Board expresses its appreciation and sincerest best wishes to Jovanka Beckles for her efforts over the years to further AC Transit's mission to provide safe, reliable and

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sustainable bus service as Director, Ward 1, and for her abiding concern for the progress of the District and the communities it serves.

<u>Section 2.</u> This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage by four affirmative votes of the Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of November, 2024.

	Joel B. Young President
Attest:	
Linda A. Nemeroff Board Administrative Officer/District Secret	_ eary
Contra Costa Transit District, do hereby ce	istrative Officer/District Secretary for the Alamedaertify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and of Directors held on the 13th day of November, 2024,
AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	
	Linda A. Nemeroff Board Adminisrative Officer/District Secretary
Approved as to Form and Content:	
Aimee L. Steele General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer	

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