## ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 23-037

## A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CLEAN AIR DAY

WHEREAS, air pollution contributes to higher rates of cancer and heart and lung diseases, which adversely affect health; and

WHEREAS, numerous communities throughout the AC Transit service area have some of the worst air quality in the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that we protect the health and well-being of our residents, visitors, and workforce; and

WHEREAS, emissions from vehicles, industry, and even household sources significantly affect the natural environment, air quality and well-being of San Francisco East Bay residents; and

**WHEREAS,** individual actions such as riding public transportation, walking or biking to work and school can directly improve air quality in our region; and

WHEREAS, transportation is the number one source of emissions in the State of California; and

**WHEREAS,** if the average driver took public transit instead of driving just two days a week, it would save 1,600 pounds of greenhouse gas emissions each year; and

**WHEREAS,** AC Transit employees, vendors and the Board of Directors have tremendous power to help lower emissions; and

WHEREAS, pledges by individuals have shown to result in action; and

**WHEREAS,** education about air quality can raise community awareness, encourage our community to develop better habits, and improve our community health; and

WHEREAS, Californians will be joining together across the state to clear the air on October 4, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, AC Transit is committed to the health of the residents, workforce, and visitors in the communities that we serve, and community at large.

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

**Section 1.** Declares the District's support for Clean Air Day on October 4, 2023.

<u>Section 2.</u> Encourages departments to ask their employees to take the clean air pledge for California Clean Air Day.

**Section 3.** That we encourage all residents, businesses, employees, and community members to participate in Clean Air Day and help clear the air for all Californians.

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

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 27th day of September 2023.

Joel Young 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 27th day of September, 2023, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

> Linda A. Nemeroff Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

Approved as to Form and Content:

Jill A. Sprague General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer