TO: NOACA Board of Directors
FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director
DATE: October 3, 2014

ACTION REQUESTED
The Board of Directors is asked to adopt Resolution 2014-047, which recognizes and supports NOACA’s role in the transportation planning efforts required for the Republican National Convention.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION
The Republican National Committee selected the City of Cleveland to serve as the site of the 2016 Republican National Convention.

The Cleveland 2016 Host Committee requests that NOACA cooperates with and uses its best efforts to assist and support the Host Committee in developing and implementing the Transportation Plan, including planning transportation services needed during the Convention Period.

FINANCIAL IMPACT
There are no currently identified financial impacts beyond staff time normally associated with such planning efforts.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS
Following Board adoption, NOACA will keep the Board apprised of the development of the transportation plan.

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Republican National Committee (the “RNC”) selected the City of Cleveland to serve as the site of the 2016 Republican National Convention (the “Convention”);

WHEREAS, the Convention is an historic event that will improve and expand Northeast Ohio’s economy and bring over 35,000 delegates, members of the national and international media, volunteers, and other attendees to Northeast Ohio during the Convention;

WHEREAS, efficient, smooth and safe transportation is critical to the success of the Convention;

WHEREAS, NOACA is a regional organization of local officials responsible for carrying out transportation planning;

WHEREAS, the Host Committee desires to secure, and NOACA desires to provide a seamless and positive transportation experience to Convention attendees and the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of 45 principal officials of general purpose local government throughout and within the Counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina Counties that:

Section 1. At no cost to the RNC or Host Committee, NOACA shall cooperate with and use its best efforts to assist and support the Host Committee and the RNC in developing and implementing the Transportation Plan and in planning all transportation services needed during the Convention Period. NOACA shall also dedicate sufficient resources to assist in developing and planning such transportation services.

Section 2. NOACA shall use its best efforts to help establish, in coordination with the Host Committee, RNC, ODOT, the City, County, RTA, and law enforcement agencies, exclusive transport lanes and roads for the Convention and otherwise facilitate the efficient transport of Convention attendees.

Section 3. NOACA shall appoint a dedicated liaison during the Term of this Agreement to the Host Committee to assist with transportation planning and implementation of the Transportation Plan.

Section 4. NOACA shall apply, in coordination with the Host Committee, for any and all possible grants to assist the Host Committee in creating and funding the Transportation Plan.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 10th day of October 2014.

Secretary: ____________________________
Date Signed: 10 OCT 14