GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 03-17

WHEREAS, Texas Transportation Code Section 361.003 authorizes the creation of a regional mobility authority for the purposes of constructing, maintaining, and operating one or more turnpike projects in a region of this state; and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority ("CTRMA") was created pursuant to the request of Travis and Williamson Counties and in accordance with provisions of the Transportation Code and the petition and approval process established in 46 Tex. Admin. Code § 26.01, *et. seq.* (the "RMA Rules"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the CTRMA has identified the proposed State Highway 45 Southeast ("SH 45 SE") turnpike project as an essential project for enhancing mobility and improving safety for the traveling public in the Central Texas area; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors also recognizes that SH 45 SE is a critical part of the Central Texas Turnpike Project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to show is strong support for efforts to secure discretionary funding for SH 45 SE as part of the reauthorization process for the TEA-21 legislation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the CTRMA hereby expresses its support for the submission of a request for discretionary funding for the SH 45 SE project as part of the TEA-21 reauthorization process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors expresses its appreciation to Congressman Lamar Smith for his efforts to secure necessary funding for this important transportation project.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 26th day of February, 2003.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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Approved:

Chairman, Board of Directors Resolution Number <u>03-17</u> Date Passed 2/26/03