

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

RESOLUTION NO. 18-039

**APPROVAL OF A MOBILITY AUTHORITY QUALIFIED
VETERANS DISCOUNT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, in 2009, the 81st Texas Legislature passed and the Governor signed H.B. 3139, which took effect on September 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Section 372.053 of the Transportation Code, enacted by H.B. 3139, authorizes a toll project entity such as the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority to establish a program for free or discounted use of a toll project for a vehicle registered under Transportation Code § 504.202 [disabled veterans], § 504.315(g) ["recipients of the Purple Heart"], or to "a person who has received the Medal of Honor;" and

WHEREAS, in subsection (b) of Section 372.053, the Legislature provided that "the legislature may appropriate funds from the general revenue fund to a toll project entity to defray the cost of providing free or discounted use of the entity's toll project ..."; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors supported through resolution establishing a program to provide free or discounted use of CTRMA's toll projects to vehicles eligible under Section 372.053, provided that the State of Texas, rather than the other users of CTRMA toll projects, defrayed the cost of that program.

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 10-106, dated December 8, 2010, the Board authorized the Executive Director to begin designing a program to provide free or discounted use of CTRMA toll projects to vehicles eligible under Section 372.053; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors directed the Executive Director to bring the proposed program to the Board for its approval when the State of Texas appropriated and made available to CTRMA sufficient funds to defray the full cost of the proposed program; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has brought forth an unfunded program to provide toll discounts to certain classes of veterans whose vehicles are associated with an electronic toll tag; and

WHEREAS, this program restricts the discounts to one per eligible veteran and to apply only to non-managed lane facilities operated by CTRMA; and

WHEREAS, this program requires eligible veterans to resolve any outstanding tolls and register with the Mobility Authority before program participation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors authorizes the Executive Director to continue with implementation of a program to provide free or discounted use of CTRMA toll projects to veteran's eligible under Section 372.053 with the restrictions noted above; and

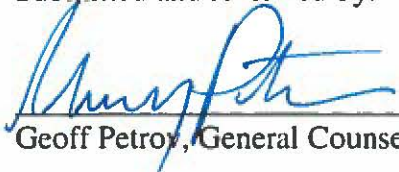
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the program to provide free or discounted use of CTRMA toll projects to veteran's eligible under Section 372.053 shall expire on December 31, 2021 unless reauthorized by the Board of Directors prior to that date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that changes to the Toll Policies contained in the Mobility Authority's Policy Code necessary to implement the program described herein be presented to the Board for approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, while the Mobility Authority may proceed with absorbing the financial impact of the program, the Executive Director is directed to request that the State of Texas appropriate and make available to CTRMA sufficient funds to defray the full cost of the discount program.


Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 25th day of July 2018.

Submitted and reviewed by:



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Approved:



Ray A. Wilkerson
Chairman, Board of Directors