RESOLUTION NO. 2017-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL (SEFTC) SUPPORTING THE STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (SMART) PLAN FOR RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDORS WHICH PROVIDE KEY CONNECTIONS TO REGIONAL TRANSIT SERVICES

WHEREAS, in 2002, Miami-Dade County approved the imposition of a one-half percent surtax for the purpose of improving, among other things, mass transit within the County through the People's Transportation Plan which included eight (8) rapid transit corridors located in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2016, the Miami-Dade MPO unanimously endorsed the SMART Plan, which includes six (6) rapid transit corridors and a network of express bus services throughout Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the rapid transit corridors included connections providing for regional transit services for the movement of residents and visitors in Southeast Florida in support of a SMART region; and

WHEREAS, a seamless interoperable transit system in the area encompassing Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties would support a robust economic base in the Southeast Florida region, assist in reducing congestion and enhance regional mobility; and

WHEREAS, the Southeast Florida Transportation Council (SEFTC) has adopted a Regional Transportation Plan which includes a regional transit vision component.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL:

SECTION 1. The SEFTC supports the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan for rapid transit corridors which provide key connections to regional transit services.

SECTION 2. The SEFTC shall distribute this resolution to the MPOs and County Commissions of Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the Secretaries of FDOT Districts 4 and 6, and any interested parties.

SECTION 3. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner Barreiro who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Caletka, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

1. Mayor Susie Hayward, Chair
2. Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro, Vice Chair
3. Councilmember Bryan Caletka

The Chairwoman thereupon declared the Resolution duly adopted this 3rd day of February, 2017.

SOUTHEAST FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

By: ____________________________
Aileen Bouclé, Miami-Dade MPO Executive Director