

## RESOLUTION

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE JACKSONVILLE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO REQUEST THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA TO ISSUE A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE JTA'S REQUEST THAT THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SUPPORT THE JTA'S ABILITY TO MODIFY THE LIGHT DISPLAY ON THE ST. ELMO W, ACOSTA BRIDGE AS IDENTIFIED HEREIN.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 349, Florida Statutes, the Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA) is an agency of the state and an independent special district which plans, designs and constructs roads, bridges and appurtenances as well as operates multimodal public transportation services and acquires, develops and maintains transit-oriented development nodes for the benefit of the Northeast Florida community, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Elmo W. Acosta Bridge, known as the Acosta Bridge, is a 1,645-foot bridge that spans the St. Johns River, connecting Downtown Jacksonville's Southbank and Northbank along State Road 13; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, the JTA's Board of Directors approved a capital investment to repair and update the Acosta Bridge lighting system from the original neon tube fixture to a new dynamic LED system, allowing for special lighting displays; and

**WHEREAS**, since June of 2020, the JTA has operated and maintained the Acosta Bridge lighting system, through a permit with the State of Florida Department of Transportation, on behalf of the City of Jacksonville and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, FDOT requires that lighting systems capable of special lighting schemes, located on state or federal roadways that are operated and maintained by the local jurisdictions, be approved by county or local governments by way of resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville recognizes the Acosta Bridge lighting system as a local community asset for the purpose of recognizing, commemorating, and promoting federal and state holidays and local or other events of interest.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Directors of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority, Jacksonville, Florida:

Section 1. The JTA shall transmit this resolution to City of Jacksonville seeking its support of the JTA's lighting of the Acosta Bridge lighting system as identified in Exhibit A, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

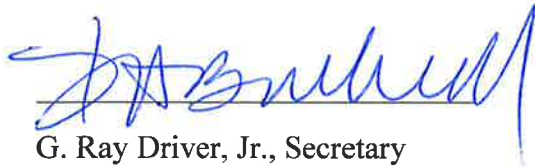
Section 2. A certified copy of this Resolution and the City of Jacksonville's Resolution will be forwarded to the State of Florida Department of Transportation.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**WE**, the undersigned, being the Chair and Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jacksonville Transportation Authority held on August 26, 2022.

  
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Arezou Jolly, Chair

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G. Ray Driver, Jr., Secretary