

RESOLUTION NO.: R- 2006- 037

Supporting Public Transportation in Richland County

Whereas, the City of Columbia entered into an agreement for the transfer of the fixed route and DART transit systems from South Carolina Electric & Gas to the City of Columbia in October 2002; and

Whereas, the City of Columbia transferred the operations of the fixed route and DART transit systems to the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority in October 2002; and

Whereas, a trust fund for the operations of the fixed route and DART transit systems was established in the transfer of the system from South Carolina Electric & Gas to the City of Columbia and to the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority; and

Whereas, the trust fund will be insufficient to continue the operations of the fixed route and DART transit systems in perpetuity, and

Whereas, the establishment of a dedicated source of funds to provide for transportation is needed to continue the operations of the transit system; and

Whereas, a regional transportation system is important for the economic health and growth of the Midlands region; and

Whereas, Richland County Council has given two readings to an ordinance that would increase the vehicle registration fee in Richland County with the increased amount dedicated to public transit; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that Columbia City Council does hereby support the actions taken by Richland County; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Columbia City Council does hereby agree that the continued operation and enhancement of the Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority system is important for the continued development of the Midlands region and pledges its support thereof.

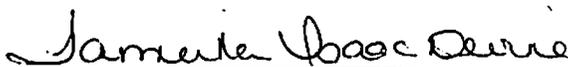
It is so resolved this 16th day of August 2006.



E. W. Cromartie, II
District II Council Member



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District I Council Member



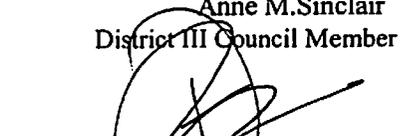
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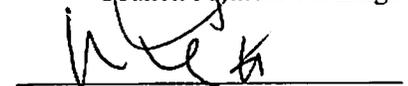
Robert D. Coble
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Attest:



Clerk