

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN: Your County Finance Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, based on the recommendations set forth in the 2014 Public Transportation Consolidation Feasibility Study, it has been proposed to the Berrien County Board of Commissioners that consolidation and the provision of transit services through one countywide program is the most efficient and effective way to provide public transportation in the County; and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Board of Commissioners formally endorsed the formation of the Berrien County Transportation Authority with Resolution B1612246 dated December 1, 2016; and

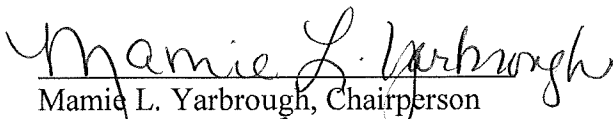
WHEREAS, during the preparation of "Connect Berrien", a transit service integration plan, a "steering committee" was established to provide counsel and guidance to the consulting firm preparing the plan; and, that committee was dissolved when the plan was completed in September of 2018.

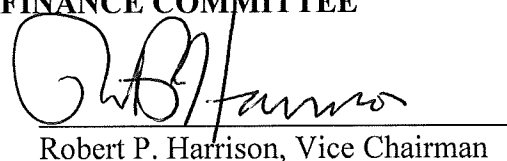
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners establishes a committee comprised of three County Commissioners appointed by the Chair and the County Administrator (or his designee) to represent the County Board of Commissioners during discussions with the County's three other public transportation providers on the subject of public transit coordination and/or consolidation.

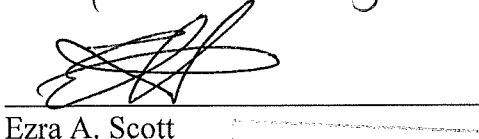
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authority of this committee is limited to decisions regarding the activities and functions of the Committee itself, and that any recommendations for structural or contractual changes to the County transportation network will be brought to the full Board of Commissioners for approval.

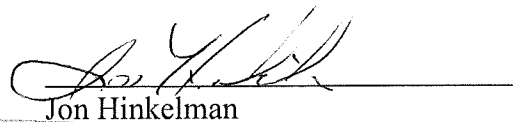
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the name of this "ad hoc" committee shall be the "Berrien County Advisory Transportation Team" (BCATT) and it will continue to operate until its job is completed as determined by the Chairman of the Berrien County Board of Commissioners.

**Respectfully submitted,
BERRIEN COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE**


Mamie L. Yarbrough, Chairperson


Robert P. Harrison, Vice Chairman


Ezra A. Scott


Jon Hinkelman

RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM

Prepared by	WS	Date	2/19/19
Reviewed by		Date	
Approved by	2	Date	2.20.19
City Clerk/Notary			