RESOLUTION NO.

TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATION FOR THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY 70% REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS FOR THE FY 2028 to 2029 SIX YEAR PROGRAM UPDATE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS TO ACCEPT THE FUNDS.

WHEREAS, in April, 2013 the General Assembly and Governor approved a new transportation funding bill (HB2313) with all taxes and fees imposed by the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, 70% of HB2313 revenues will be allocated by the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) for capital projects that increase capacity, and are included in the regional long range transportation plan (TransAction), and

WHEREAS, the Alexandria Mobility Plan (AMP) has prioritized the development of three Transitways, including the Metroway service, which is operational, the West End Transitway, which is fully funded for Phase I, and the Duke Street Transitway, which is fully funded for Phase I; and

WHEREAS, the full infrastructure improvements for the Metroway have not yet been built within Alexandria, and the City has received partial funding for design to extend Metroway on Route 1 north to Evans Lane; and

WHEREAS, the AMP recommends improvements to our traffic signal and ITS system to better manage traffic, improve resiliency and connect vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the City received the FY 2022 Safe Streets and Roads for All grant from the Federal Highway Administration to develop full designs for safety treatments at seven high crash intersections in equity areas in the West End as part of the City's Vision Zero Program to eliminate traffic-related deaths and serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, the design of wider and safer paths along the Van Dorn bridge for people walking and biking over the Norfolk Southern rail tracks was funded through an FY 2026 NVTA 70% grant, supports Phase 2 of the West End Transitway and is consistent with the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports an application to the FY 2028 to 2029 Six-Year Program update for an allocation of up to \$10 million for the extension of the Metroway between Glebe Road and Evans Lane on Richmond Highway, and between Evans Lane and the Arlington border on Potomac Avenue; That the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports an application to the FY 2028 to 2029 NVTA Six-Year Program update for an allocation of up to \$5 million for the upgrade of traffic controllers and provision of connected vehicle infrastructure;

That the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports an application to the FY 2028 to 2029 Six-Year Program update for an allocation of up to \$3 million for the design of safety improvements at seven high crash intersections;

That the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby supports an application to the FY 2028 to 2029 NVTA Six-Year Program update for an allocation of up to \$10 million for the implementation of multimodal enhancements to the Van Dorn Bridge over the Norfolk Southern rail tracks;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Alexandria hereby grants authority for the City Manager to apply for these grant funds and enter into any necessary agreements with the NVTA to accept this grant for all projects described above and execute any documents required to administer these funds and implement these projects.

Adopted: _____

JUSTIN M. WILSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria Sitton, City Clerk