SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 14-133

- WHEREAS, In November, 2012 the SFMTA Board of Directors approved a "Free Muni" for Youth" pilot program for low and moderate income San Francisco youth aged five to 17 years old who use a Clipper card; and
- WHEREAS, On April 15, 2014, as part of the two-year budget, the Board of Directors approved extending this program for two more years and expanding it to include 18 year olds by November 1, 2014; and
- WHEREAS, At that meeting, the Board of Directors requested the Director of Transportation to evaluate the feasibility of creating a similar program for 19 to 22 year old low and moderate income students enrolled in the San Francisco Unified School District's Special Education Services program; and
- WHEREAS, It has been determined that the administrative and fiscal impact of implementing this program is relatively low; and
- WHEREAS, SFMTA is proposing to implement this new program in conjunction with the expansion of the existing "Free Muni" program to 18 year olds by November 1, 2014; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Charter Section 16.112 and SFMTA Board of Directors Rules of Order, advertisements were placed in the City's official newspaper, the San Francisco Chronicle, to provide published notice of the August 19, 2014 hearing which ran for five consecutive days beginning on July 26, 2014; and
- WHEREAS, SFMTA staff, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that the proposed program is statutorily exempt from environmental review pursuant to California Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(8) and CEQA implementing guidelines; and
- WHEREAS, Said CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and is incorporated herein by this reference. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to the federal requirements contained in the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Circular 4702.1A, "Title VI and Title VI-Dependent Guidelines for FTA Recipients," Chapter V Part 4, the SFMTA must conduct an equity analysis of proposed fare changes to determine if they have a disparate impact on minority populations or a disproportionate burden on low-income populations; and
- WHEREAS, SFMTA staff prepared a comprehensive Title VI analysis of the proposed fare change and determined that there are neither disparate impacts nor disproportionate burdens associated with this proposal which is contained within a separate item on this agenda for approval by the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Charter Section 8.A.108, all fare changes must be submitted to the Board of Supervisors as part of the SFMTA's budget or as a budget amendment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves "Free Muni" for low and moderate 19 to 22 year old students who use a Clipper® card and are enrolled the San Francisco Unified School District's Special Education Services Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Transportation Agency Board of Directors urges the Board of Supervisors to approve the fare change.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of August 19, 2014.

Secretary to the Board of Directors San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency