

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS
SUPPORTING THE FULL FUNDING OF THE DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT
(DART) SYSTEM AND URGING CONTINUED INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC TRANSIT;
AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the Town of Addison, Texas (“City Council”) has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town of Addison, Texas (“Town”) to foster a community that is connected, accessible, and sustainable; and

WHEREAS, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (“DART”) was created in 1983 by a majority of voters electing to contribute one percent of sales tax collections to plan, build, operate, and maintain a public transportation system within a 13-city service area; and

WHEREAS, in September 2000, voters within the 13-city DART service area overwhelmingly approved a referendum to use the one percent sales tax collections to support issuance of long-term bonds to upgrade and accelerate expansion of the transit network; and

WHEREAS, DART provides critical public transit services that connect the residents of Addison to the broader North Texas region, enabling access to employment, education, healthcare, and recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, DART plays an integral role in supporting regional mobility and economic development, particularly in underserved areas, by providing equitable access to transportation for all residents, including those who rely on public transit as their primary means of transportation; and

WHEREAS, DART's funding is essential to the continued operation and expansion of its services, improvement of its infrastructure, and enhancement of its ability to meet the growing transportation needs of the North Texas region; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Addison recognizes the importance of public transportation in reducing traffic congestion, improving air quality, and ensuring the continued vitality of the region's economy and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Addison supports efforts to ensure that DART is adequately funded to maintain and expand its services, including the continued enhancement of services in Addison and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Addison, along with many other municipalities, has recognized the importance of fully funding DART and has called for increased support to ensure that DART can continue to provide high-quality, reliable transit services to its residents and the entire North Texas region; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS:**

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby expresses its strong support for the full funding of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) system and urges local, regional, and state governments to prioritize continued investment in public transit, particularly DART, to ensure its long-term viability and success.

SECTION 2. The City Council commits to working collaboratively with DART, neighboring cities, and regional partners to advocate for sustainable, equitable, and accessible transit solutions that benefit all residents of the North Texas region.

SECTION 3. That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the DART Board of Directors, the Texas State Legislature, and other relevant stakeholders to demonstrate the Town of Addison's commitment to supporting the future growth and success of public transportation in the North Texas region.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall take effect from and after its date of adoption.

DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the Town of Addison, Texas, on this the 25th day of February, 2025.

TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS

Bruce Arfsten, Mayor

ATTEST:

Valencia Garcia, City Secretary