



RESOLUTION NO. 2019-005

**VILLAGE OF MONTGOMERY, KANE AND KENDALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS
A RESOLUTION URGING THE ENACTMENT OF A STATE CAPITAL TRANSPORTATION BILL
THAT INCLUDES TRANSIT**

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has a critical need of a capital bill to fund transportation and infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has not had a robust capital bill in decades; and

WHEREAS, Chicago and Northeastern Illinois were built and grew based on transit and now that investment is at risk; and

WHEREAS, transit agencies have stressed to the General Assembly that NE Illinois has 30 billion dollars in unfunded or under-funded transit projects for which significant state help is needed to keep the existing system in the State of Good Repair; and

WHEREAS, CTA has identified \$17.9 billion in under-funded or projects un-funded that could and needed to be to be implemented in the next decade to achieve a State of Good Repair the largest of these priority projects include replacing railcars, the Red Purple Line modernization and the extension of the Red Line; and

WHEREAS, Metra needs \$11.6 billion in the next 10 years to reach a State of Good Repair with priority projects that include replacing and repairing aging cars and locomotives, reconfiguring the 75th Street Corridor, replacing the A-2 Interlocking, replace and repair 61system bridges and repair and replace track and components; and

WHEREAS, Pace has \$1 billion in un-funded or under-funded projects that are needed to keep their system in a State of Good Repair while enhancing and expanding service including replacing fixed route and paratransit service vehicles plus upgrading facilities for Bus-On-Shoulder and Pulse operations; and

WHEREAS, stable funding allows agencies to build projects shortly after they are designed, vehicles are rehabilitated when needed and replaced on time. The result is a newer overall system with service fast and reliable. Giving transit the ability to innovate, stay competitive while experimenting with programs to meet new rider needs; and

WHEREAS, unstable stop and go funding means that some projects are designed and then wait in queue for delivery while prices rise and plans change, meaning vehicles are kept in service longer and rebuilt or overhauled rather than replaced. The overall system is older, so operating and maintenance costs rise and service is slower and less reliable; and

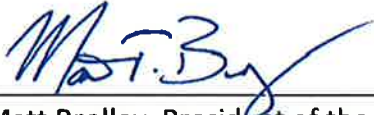
WHEREAS, the only way to relieve the financial needs of transit agencies and ensure that the transit system in the State of Illinois does not deteriorate further is a fully-funded capital bill that provides sustainable consistent annual transportation funding in general and transit in particular is needed; and

WHEREAS, without this investment we will not stay competitive in attracting development, well-paying employment opportunities and a sustained robust economy; and

WHEREAS, it is time for Illinois' and residents to invest in themselves:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village President and Village Board of the Village of Montgomery, Kane and Kendall Counties, request and urge all State elected officials to enact a State capital bill that includes transit.

Passed and Approved by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Montgomery, Kane and Kendall Counties, Illinois, on the 25th day of March, 2019.



Matt Brolley, President of the Board of Trustees
of the Village of Montgomery, Kane and Kendall Counties, Illinois

ATTEST:



Debbie Buchanan, Deputy Village Clerk

