

STATE OF WISCONSIN : MILWAUKEE COUNTY : VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD

RESOLUTION 2023-11

#SaveTheBus – A Resolution in Support of Milwaukee County Transit System

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Transit System is facing a crisis and the organizations needs assistance, and

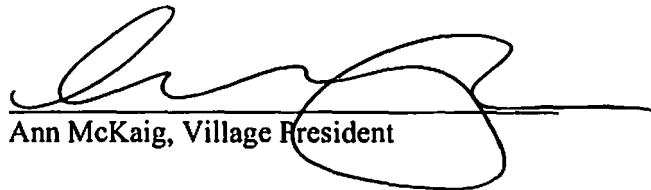
WHEREAS, with the end of federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding and looming cuts at both county and state levels, MCTS is facing a projected \$26.5 million budget shortfall in 2025, and

WHEREAS, to put this shortfall in context, a \$26.5 million cut would result in a 20 percent cut in service which could represent nearly one-half of all routes in the system spread across Milwaukee County, and

WHEREAS, on the heels of the COVID-19 pandemic, the proposed cuts to MCTS could deal a fatal blow to Milwaukee County, our village and neighborhoods and our ability to provide for our families. This isn't just a City of Milwaukee issue either. Large and small employers throughout metro Milwaukee rely on MCTS to bring them workers and closedowns due to labor shortages at manufacturing facilities could have a ripple effect on businesses across the entire state,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Shorewood does hereby proclaim that Milwaukee County Transit System is a critical part of Wisconsin's transportation infrastructure, and we support passing local revenue reform that allows Milwaukee County to generate local dollars to solve local problems so that Milwaukee County will have the financial flexibility to avoid devastating cuts to transit service.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Shorewood Village Board, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin this 1st day of May, 2023.


Ann McKaig, Village President

Countersigned:


Toya Harrell, Village Clerk