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A RESOLUTION
By the Board of Directors
DOWNTOWN DALLAS

Regarding

The DART Orange Light Rail Line Station at DFW International Airport

WHEREAS, DOWNTOWN DALLAS' mission is to act as the primary advocate and champion for Downtown, ensuring the area continues to grow as a premier destination to live, work, play and invest, and;

WHEREAS, great international cities have direct connections to the airport terminal, and;

WHEREAS, over \$6 billion in new mixed-use developments have been constructed or are planned in anticipation of DART connectivity to DFW International Airport terminals by 2013, and;

WHEREAS, any change to the current plan to locate the light rail station between Terminals A and B at DFW would delay the project's 2013 date of completion, and;

WHEREAS, all federal dollars obtained for project development and construction for the Orange Line were made available with the understanding that connection to DFW International Airport terminal area would be complete by 2013, and;

WHEREAS, locating the light rail station outside of the DFW International Airport terminal area would dramatically reduce the positive economic impact of DFW International Airport connectivity to Dallas County and other DART member cities within Dallas County, and;

WHEREAS, locating the light rail station outside of the DFWIA terminal area or failing to meet the publicly committed timeline of providing operational light rail service to the citizens of Dallas County to the terminal area of DFW by 2013 would dramatically adversely affect the potential Transit-Oriented Development tax base for Dallas County, the Dallas County Community College District, the Dallas County Hospital District and numerous cities, school districts and private sector investors who have made and are making substantial capital investments.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Dallas like all great international cities should have a direct connection to the airport terminal.

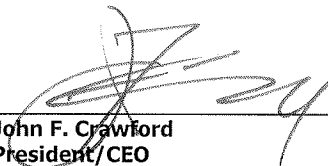
That the **DOWNTOWN**DALLAS Board of Directors unequivocally supports the 2013 deadline for full operation of light rail along the DART Orange Line to the terminal area of DFW International Airport.

That the **DOWNTOWN**DALLAS Board of Directors asserts that the DFW International Airport DART light rail connection at any location other than between terminals A and B would reduce the DART's ability to connect passengers from downtown Dallas to DFW International Airport in the most efficient and timely manner and would adversely affect the property values and the tax base of Dallas County to the detriment of numerous public entities and the citizens of Dallas County.

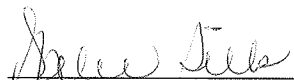
That the **DOWNTOWN**DALLAS Board of Directors asserts that a change in the location of the DART light rail station at DFW International Airport would delay the completion of the project beyond 2013, thereby delaying progress on ancillary development projects and dramatically affecting the credibility of DART to deliver its projects in a timely manner.

That DART, DFW International Airport and any other affected entity should immediately reaffirm their commitment and support for the timely completion of the DFW Orange Line from downtown Dallas to the operational area of DFW International Airport between Terminals A and B and to the full operation of light rail along said alignment no later than 2013.

Signed this 21st day of April 2009 on behalf of the Board of Directors of **DOWNTOWN**DALLAS.



John F. Crawford
President/CEO



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