

## RESOLUTION OF THE CINCINNATUS ASSOCIATION

WEAREAS; there may be a proposal on the ballot this fall to amend the Cincinnati City Charter to restrict the Cincinnati City Council from expending dollars on rail systems; and

WEAREAS; the **Government Panel** had heard from both sides of the streetcar ballot issue and has voted to oppose a Charter amendment on streetcars; and

WEAREAS; The Panel believes the issue of using a Charter amendment to require or preclude funding of any specific project and the merits of Streetcars must be kept separate as issues; and

WEAREAS; A subcommittee has been established to study the merits of the City's Streetcar Proposal on its own; and

WEAREAS; the Government Panel believes strongly that regardless of the merits of a funding issue, the Charter is not the place for ballot initiatives that preclude city council from spending money on specific projects; and

WEAREAS; the Executive Committee unanimously voted to also oppose any ballot initiative to amend the Charter to require or preclude City Council from spending money on any specific project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FULL MEMBERSHIP OF THE CINCINNATUS ASSOCIATION OPPOSES ANY AMENDMENT THIS FALL TO THE CINCINNATI CITY CHARTER TO RESTRICT THE CINCINNATI CITY COUNCIL FROM EXPENDING DOLLARS ON RAIL SYSTEMS. ADOPTED THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2009.

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