

**Metropolitan Council
390 Robert Street North, St. Paul, MN 55101**

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-25

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING COUNCIL GRATITUDE TO THE COUNTIES TRANSIT
IMPROVEMENT BOARD FOR FULFILLMENT OF THEIR LOCAL MATCH FOR
THE CENTRAL CORRIDOR LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT**

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Legislature created the Counties Transit Improvement Board in 2008.

WHEREAS: The Counties Transit Improvement Board approved Resolution #17-CTIB-2008 committing 30% of the capital cost of Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) not to exceed \$300 million.

WHEREAS: The Counties Transit Improvement Board stable and reliable dedicated sales tax for transitways investment in the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area elevated the CCLRT project rating with the Federal Transit Administration.

WHEREAS: The Counties Transit Improvement Board has approved capital grants for CCLRT in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

WHEREAS: The Counties Transit Improvement Board's ongoing support of CCLRT has enabled construction to be 68% complete as of the end of July 2012 and on schedule to open in 2014.

WHEREAS: The Counties Transit Improvement Board has paid its final installment of its \$284 million financial contribution on schedule to the Metropolitan Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Metropolitan Council expresses its sincere gratitude to the Counties Transit Improvement Board for its early financial commitment and timely fulfillment of its \$284 million financial share for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Project.

Adopted this _____ day of September, 2012.

Susan Haigh, Chair

Emily Getty, Recording Secretary