



Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This resolution amends Exhibit A to Resolution No. RS2023-2144 to reallocate American Rescue Plan Act (“ARP”) funds to WeGo, in partnership with Historically Black Colleges and Universities (“HBCUs”), to provide public transportation access to students, faculty and staff.

RS2023-2144 appropriated \$400,125 in ARP funds to provided unlimited free rides to all students, faculty, and staff at participating HBCUs in Nashville. The funding was allocated as follows:

- Tennessee State University - \$238,875
- Fisk University -- \$30,000
- Meharry Medical College -- \$25,000
- American Baptist College -- \$6,250

As of August 31, 2024, \$85,534 in funding remained. WeGo requested that the remaining balance be shared among the colleges and universities. The resolution under consideration would allow these colleges to access the remaining funding as needed until the funds are depleted or December 31, 2026.