Measure R Oversight Committee Finding of Benefit Resolution

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO MEASURE R ORDINANCE FINDING THAT THE BENEFITS OF A SHORT TERM BORROWING PROGRAM EXCEED ADMINISTRATION AND INTEREST COSTS

WHEREAS, the Measure R Ordinance provides sales tax revenues for the construction of 12 transit capital projects over the next 30 years; and

WHEREAS, The America Fast Forward Initiative adopted by the LACMTA Board of Directors in April 2010 proposes to complete construction of the 12 transit capital projects in 10 rather than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, accelerated construction would avoid inflationary cost growth; and

WHEREAS, a short-term borrowing program will provide interim financing vehicles such as commercial paper, revolving credit facilities and bond anticipation notes which provide a source of flexible, low cost financing that allows more effective management of a debt program to fund cash flow requirements for construction payments until funding sources are received, the federal Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loans are drawn upon, federal grant funds are available, or until other long-term financing is arranged; and

WHEREAS, LACMTA desires to establish a short-term borrowing program (the "Short-Term Borrowing Program") to finance projects and programs set forth in the Expenditure Plan that would be secured by the Measure R Sales Tax Revenues and be in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$300,000,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Proposition R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee of LACMTA finds that the economic, environmental and transit benefits of the \$300,000,000 Short-Term Borrowing Program as a cost effective and efficient component of the approved Measure R secured debt program, exceed issuance and interest costs.

Adopted this 13th day of May, 2015