

# Resolution for the Support of the Emerging Transit Technologies

## Resolution No. 2018-10

**WHEREAS**, the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (“TBARTA”) is an agency of the State of Florida created to plan, implement, develop, finance, construct, own, operate, maintain and manage multimodal systems in Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties, hereinafter “five-county region”; and

**WHEREAS**, TBARTA’s purpose is to improve mobility and expand multimodal transportation options for passengers and freight throughout its five-county region; and

**WHEREAS**, TBARTA has adopted as part of its guiding principles to support mobility choices for residents and visitors that leverage emerging transit technologies and systems that enhance the competitiveness of the Tampa Bay regional economy; and

**WHEREAS**, TBARTA plans to identify needs to enhance innovative transit solutions for this area; and

**WHEREAS**, TBARTA’s five-county region is a favorable environment to adopt and deploy innovative transit solutions to mobility challenges.

### **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TBARTA GOVERNING BOARD THAT:**

1. TBARTA recognizes the Tampa Bay region’s potential role as a leader in the field of innovation and the positive impact of emerging transit technologies, including but not limited to omni-modal forms of transit such as advanced magnetized levitation, waterborne transit, autonomous systems that support public transport and ridesharing, and Mobility-as-a-Service (Maas) solutions; and
2. TBARTA is committed to working with and encouraging its public and private sector partners to collaboratively evaluate and explore opportunities for the potential development of emerging transit technologies in Florida to improve the economic vibrancy of the State and the Tampa Bay region.

**FOR THE BOARD**

**ATTEST:**

  
JAMES W. HOLTON

Chairman

  
Commissioner Janet C. Long

Secretary-Treasurer