

**BEFORE THE  
FRESNO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-11**

In the Matter of: )  
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**Disadvantaged Business** )  
**Enterprise Goals** )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE  
COG DISADVANTAGED  
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Fresno Council of Governments (COG) has been designated the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Fresno County by the Secretary of the Business and Transportation Agency pursuant to Section 29532 of the California Code of Regulations (as amended by AB 402, 1977); and acting as the Metropolitan Planning Agency (MPO) (Federal Highway Act of 1974 and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, pursuant to the joint regulations-Code of Federal Regulations, Title 26, Part 450; Title 49, Part 613); and

**WHEREAS**, the COG is a recipient of Federal financial assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the COG, as a condition of grant award, is required to adopt a goal for disadvantaged enterprise (DBE) participation in COG awarded contracts where federal financial assistance is provided pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Part 26, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Transit Administration requires adoption of a three year DBE goal setting program, to be adjusted on an annual basis to reflect changes in participation rates, and

**WHEREAS**, the COG acknowledges the National Aspiration Goal of 10% and expects at a minimum, to meet the National Aspiration Goal using Race Neutral Measures, and

**WHEREAS**, a State Department of Transportation revealed statistically significant underutilization in six groups, African American, Asian Pacific American, Native American, Women, Hispanic Males, and Subcontinent Asian Males to be included in goal setting methodology, and

**WHEREAS**, COG anticipates meeting their goal using 100% Race Neutral measures, however COG reserves the right to use Race Conscious Measures should they be warranted, and proposes adjusting the 2015/16-2017/18 DBE Goal to 14.31, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the COG adjust the 2015-16 through 2017-18 DBE goal at 14.31% to be applied in federally assisted contract awards using Race Neutral means. .

**THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION** was passed and adopted by the Fresno Council of Governments this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amarpreet Dhaliwal, Chairman

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno Council of Governments duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 29th day of June, 2017.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tony Boren, Executive Director