

## RESOLUTION 19-21 A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATIONS TO THE VOLKSWAGEN MITIGATION TRUST

May 16, 2019

WHEREAS, Northwest Indiana has a rich and growing transit network, including fixed route transit and demand-response services in all three counties; and

WHEREAS, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission has made it an expressed goal to support the growth of transit in the region, to reduce congestion, provide modal choice to citizens, and improve air quality; and

WHEREAS, the state of Indiana has released a request for proposals for the Volkswagen Mitigation Trust, providing alternative funding potential for diesel transit vehicles operated by fixed-route systems, and promoting alternate fuel vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, funding from the Volkswagen Mitigation Trust would, by providing alternative large-vehicle funding from traditional sources, allow all operators to fund more non-diesel vehicle and capital purchases.

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED** that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission and its transit operators support efforts by fixed-route operators to pursue funding opportunities through the Volkswagen Mitigation Trust.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this sixteenth day of May, 2019.

Diane Noll Chairperson

ATTEST:

George Topoll Secretary