OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

<u>Resolution Honoring the Distinguished Service of Chris Merillat</u> <u>for His Heroic Actions on July 25, 2018</u>

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2000, Chris Merillat began his career with the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission ("Commission") as a roadway worker, and currently holds the position of Building Checkman for Division I Maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the Members of the Commission wish to acknowledge and publicly recognize the valiant and courageous actions taken by Mr. Merillat;

WHEREAS, Mr. Merillat took immediate action in an emergency situation which occurred at the Indian Meadows Service Plaza on July 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Merillat's fast, skilled and courageous actions on July 25, 2018 at Indian Meadows Service Plaza helped save the life of a patron who had just suffered a heart attack and was in full cardiac arrest; and

WHEREAS, the Members of the Commission commend Mr. Merillat's extraordinary efforts when he retrieved the AED from inside of the Indian Meadows Service Plaza and assisted a patron whose emergency required immediate medical attention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission, by the adoption of this Resolution, hereby expresses its deep appreciation for the courageous actions by Mr. Chris Merillat who assisted with performing lifesaving efforts at the Indian Meadows Service Plaza on July 25, 2018; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mr. Chris Merillat, while performing his duties as a Building Checkman, exhibited extraordinary bravery and courage in an effort to preserve a life; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission also considers that the people of the State of Ohio have been fortunate in receiving the unselfish services that he rendered; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer be, and hereby she is, directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to Mr. Merillat.

(Resolution No. 42-2018 adopted August 20, 2018)