

POLICY RESOLUTION PR-10-06
TITLE: MAINTAINING THE PURCHASING POWER OF THE MINIMUM PRIMARY PASSENGER
ENTITLEMENT

WHEREAS, there has been significant construction cost inflation since Vision 100 established the minimum Primary Passenger entitlements, the purchasing power of the minimum Primary Passenger entitlements has been seriously eroded; and

WHEREAS, this cost inflation has been particularly significant over the past few years for several reasons, including the reconstruction associated with the hurricane Katrina impacts to the Gulf Coast; construction material demands associated with the rapid development of the economies of China and India; and the rapidly escalating cost of oil and associated products; and

WHEREAS, the minimum Primary Passenger entitlements are a very important funding source for Non Hub Primary airports, which have fewer funding alternatives than larger airports; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to maintain the inflation-adjusted purchasing power of the minimum Primary Passenger entitlement funding identified under the provisions of Vision 100.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in order to maintain the purchasing power of the minimum Primary Passenger entitlements, future transportation appropriations bills should increase the current \$1 million minimum Primary Passenger entitlement by an amount sufficient to compensate for the construction cost inflation since enactment of Vision 100.