RESOLUTION OF THE CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVING THE 2016 CHITTENDEN COUNTY INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (ITS) PLAN

- WHEREAS, the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC), is one of 11 regional planning commissions in Vermont, and also serves the region as the sole Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) operating within Vermont, acts as the principal forum for planning, policy and community development and is responsible for managing the continuous, cooperative and comprehensive Transportation Planning process in Chittenden County; and
- WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a Final Rule 940 and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) issued a similar policy on National ITS Architecture on January 8, 2001 to implement §5206(e) of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century; and
- WHEREAS, the Rule/Policy requires that any region currently implementing ITS projects shall have a regional ITS architecture in place by April 8, 2005 and that ITS projects funded by the Highway Trust Fund and the Mass Transit Account must conform to the regional ITS architecture; and
- WHEREAS, the CCRPC published the *Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture for Chittenden County (April, 2005*), a "living-document" prepared to guide the planning and implementation of ITS in Chittenden County; and
- WHEREAS, the 2025 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), as amended in January 2010, recommends ITS projects to improve travel efficiency and manage traffic flows with technology-based tools; and
- WHEREAS, in 2014, the CCRPC hired Cambridge Systematics, Inc. to assist with the update of the 2005 Regional ITS Architecture and development of a 2016 Chittenden County ITS Plan; and
- WHEREAS, A Steering Committee was formed to provide general oversight and guidance during the development of the ITS Plan with representation from the Cities of Burlington and South Burlington, the CCRPC, Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans), Chittenden County Transportation Authority (CCTA), and Local Motion. Input for the ITS Plan was also gathered from the following organizations: Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles, Vermont State Police, Burlington Airport, University of Vermont (UVM), Greater Burlington Industrial Corporation (GBIC), National Weather Service and the University of Vermont Medical Center; and
- WHEREAS, the Chittenden County Technical Advisory Committee and the Executive Committee recommended approval of the Chittenden County ITS Plan at their January 5, and January 6, 2016 meetings, respectively; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission hereby approves the Chittenden County ITS Plan, dated January 2016, as the regional vision and policy plan regarding the use of specific ITS applications to address regional transportation needs.

Dated this 20th day of January 2016 in Winooski, Vermont.

CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Andrew H. Montroll, Chair