

BOROUGH OF CRAFTON
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-08

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF
CRAFTON SUPPORTING INCREASED
FUNDING FOR PITTSBURGH REGIONAL
TRANSIT**

WHEREAS, Pittsburgh Regional Transit (PRT) provides vital transportation services that connect residents of Crafton Borough and surrounding communities to employment, healthcare, education, and essential services throughout Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, public transit is an economic engine that creates jobs, supports businesses, and enhances mobility across our communities, with transit agencies across Pennsylvania directly employing more than 40,000 people and supporting millions more; and

WHEREAS, PRT has announced a potential 35% service cut to take effect in February 2026 without additional funding, along with a 25-cent fare increase to help close a significant budget deficit; and

WHEREAS, ACCESS, PRT's contracted paratransit service, would see a 62% reduction in its service area and a 20% increase in fares without additional funding; and

WHEREAS, these cuts would eliminate 40 bus routes and the Silver Line completely, reduce service frequency on 53 bus routes and the Red Line, eliminate service to 19 municipalities and three Pittsburgh neighborhoods, and end all service after 11 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Crafton Borough residents rely on public transit for their daily transportation needs, with many residents depending on these services to access employment, healthcare, education, and other essential services; and

WHEREAS, reduced transit service would likely result in increased traffic congestion, longer commutes, unequal access to transportation, and economic strain on businesses and individuals throughout our region; and

WHEREAS, PRT needs a \$117 million infusion of state funding beginning in FY2026—with compounding annual increases—to support current service levels for the next decade; and

WHEREAS, sustainable public transit funding is essential to maintaining the mobility, economic vitality, and quality of life in Crafton Borough and throughout Allegheny County;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Crafton, Allegheny County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1: The Crafton Borough Council hereby expresses its strong support for reliable, sustainable, long-term funding solutions for Pittsburgh Regional Transit.

SECTION 2: The Crafton Borough Council urges the Pennsylvania General Assembly and the Governor to secure adequate funding for public transit throughout the Commonwealth, including the \$117 million infusion of state funding beginning in FY2026—with compounding annual increases—that PRT needs to maintain current service levels.

SECTION 3: The Crafton Borough Council recognizes that public transit is not just a critical need for those who rely on it daily, but benefits all residents by reducing traffic congestion, providing transportation options, supporting economic development, and enhancing quality of life.

SECTION 4: The Crafton Borough Council encourages residents, businesses, and community organizations to make their voices heard regarding the importance of public transit by providing feedback to PRT and contacting their state elected officials.

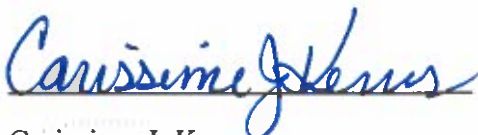
SECTION 5: A copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Governor of Pennsylvania, members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly representing Crafton Borough and Allegheny County, and the leadership of Pittsburgh Regional Transit.

SECTION 6: This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLVED and ADOPTED this 24th day of April 2025 by the Council of the Borough of Crafton, in lawful session duly assembled.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF CRAFTON



Carissima J. Kerns
Borough Secretary



John Oliverio
Council President

