AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING BUS ROUTES 80X IRVING PARK EXPRESS AND 168 UIC/PILSEN EXPRESS AS PERMANENT

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Board adopted Ordinance No. 002-51 which authorized the establishment of bus route X80 Irving Park Express on an experimental basis and authorized a second experiment in December 2002 to evaluate a routing modification; and

WHEREAS, Ridership along the Irving Park corridor has continued to grow; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Board adopted Ordinance No. 001-186 which authorized the establishment of bus route 168 on an experimental basis and authorized second, third, and fourth experiments in July and December 2002 and June 2003; and

WHEREAS, The fourth experimental period for bus route 168 was authorized to last 90 days for the 168 to enter into a new financial agreement which has been completed; and

WHEREAS, Ridership numbers and public comment received shows that the routes and service changes are well received by the community; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board is hereby authorized to make the following routes permanent, operating as follows:

X80 Irving Park Express

Operate from the east terminal at W. Sheridan Road and N. Clarendon Avenue, north on N. Clarendon Avenue, west on W. Irving Park Road, north on N. Harlem Avenue, southwest on W. Forest Preserve Avenue to the west terminal. Return trips will operate southwest on W. Forest Preserve Avenue, east on W. Irving Park Road, south on Inner Lake Shore Drive, west on W. Sheridan Road to N. Clarendon Avenue. The service will make limited stops, in both directions, said stops to be determined by the President.

168 UIC/Pilsen Express

Operate from the east terminal at the UIC – Halsted Blue Line Station, south on S. Halsted Street, west on W. 18th Street, south on S. Damen Avenue, east on W. Cermak Avenue, south on S. Ashland Avenue, serve Ashland Orange Line Station over and along existing roadways, southwest on I-55, south on LaGrange Road, southwest on Archer Avenue, north on Willow Springs Road, into the access roads of the United Parcel Services facility. Return trips will follow the same reverse pattern, but will not enter the Ashland Orange Line Station. The service will make limited stops in Chicago, in both directions, said stops to be determined by the President.

SECTION 2. These changes shall be implemented when the necessary operating arrangements have been completed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

| APPROVED: | PASSED: |
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