AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 008-14 TO AUTHORIZE THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE FREE RIDES TO ACTIVE MILITARY PERSONNEL AND DISABLED VETERANS

WHEREAS, On February 13, 2008, the Chicago Transit Board adopted Ordinance 008-14, which authorized the Chicago Transit Authority (Authority) to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Chicago (City) to permit the Authority to receive the proceeds from the supplemental real property transfer tax adopted by the City; and

WHEREAS, The City amended Sections 3-33-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago to provide for the supplemental tax on the transfer of real property on or after April 1, 2008; and

WHEREAS, The City also amended Section 3-33-060 of the Municipal Code of Chicago to condition the receipt of such supplemental real property transfer tax proceeds by the Authority on the provision of rides at no expense by the Authority to any active military personnel in uniform and/or displaying appropriate identification and any veteran of the armed forces who either receives military disability payments or has ever received military disability payments from the federal or state government; and

WHEREAS, On May 1, 2008, active duty military personnel in uniform became eligible for free rides on the Authority's transit system; and

WHEREAS, The Authority is in the process of implementing a free ride program for active duty military personnel displaying appropriate identification and those who are in receipt of disability payments, which program the Authority expects to have completely implemented by mid-summer 2008; now therefore:

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

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby amends Ordinance No. 008-14 to authorize the Authority to provide free rides to active military personnel in uniform and/or displaying appropriate identification, and to veterans of the armed forces who either receive military disability payments or who have ever received military disability payments from the federal or state government.

SECTION 2. All remaining provisions of Ordinance No. 008-14 shall remain in force and effect.

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

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

May 14, 2008

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