AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ADDED SERVICE TO REDUCE CROWDING

WHEREAS, There have been changes, including population and employment shifts, in the Chicago region over the past years; and

WHEREAS, The way customers use public transportation has changed given ridership growth in certain areas; and

WHEREAS, In order to better serve the region's public transportation needs, the Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") must restructure the way service is provided; and

WHEREAS, The Authority strives to match services with demand and believes that adding service to reduce crowding will create a stronger system which will better serve customers; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Department routinely reviews service to ensure that service meets customers' needs and that service is provided in a cost-effective manner, taking into account service coverage, hours of service, service frequency, passenger flow (crowding) and minimum productivity, in accordance with the Authority's *Service Standards*; and

WHEREAS, A final Title VI and Environmental Justice analysis will be completed by staff and submitted to the Federal Transit Administration; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Board ('Board") held a public hearing on September 4, 2012 and sought comments on the proposed changes, which are summarized in the report to the Board members; and

WHEREAS, The Board has considered the public's written submissions, testimony at the hearing and e-mail submissions and has reviewed the proposed service changes; and

WHEREAS, The Board has determined that the President must be authorized to take all steps to implement the proposed service changes; now, therefore:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 012-112 (Continued) -2

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby authorizes the President, or his designee, to take all steps necessary to implement the following major service changes as described in Exhibit A, attached hereto.

SECTION 2. Bus and rail service changes shall be implemented on December 16, 2012, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

SECTION 3. CTA's Planning Department shall continue to make periodic adjustments consistent with the Authority's *Service Standards* as adopted by the Transit Board with the goals of maximizing efficiency while achieving reasonable passenger loads during all times, including peak periods, and all days of the week.

SECTION 4. All ordinances, by-laws, and regulations not inconsistent with this ordinance shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:	PASSED:
Chairman	Assistant Secretary
September 12, 2012	September 12, 2012