ORDINANCE NO. 026-129

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A FIVE-YEAR FARE PAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH UNITED AIRLINES FOR USE OF THE CTA BLUE LINE TRAIN BETWEEN CUMBERLAND AND O'HARE AIRPORT STATIONS

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority's ("Authority") Blue Line 24-hour rapid transit train ("Blue Line") route currently serves between Chicago-O'Hare International Airport ("O'Hare Airport") and the Forest Park terminal, via downtown Chicago; and

WHEREAS, United Airlines, Inc. ("United Airlines") wishes to enter into a fare payment agreement with the Authority for United Airlines-designated personnel to use the Blue Line train solely between the CTA Cumberland and O'Hare Airport Stations, which is a regular route with a public schedule and is open to the public; and

WHEREAS, United Airlines will pay the Authority the base/regular train fare, currently $2.50 per passenger, for United Airlines-designated personnel using their valid Ventra Cards; and

WHEREAS, Public-private partnerships help the Authority in meeting the region's transportation needs and it is believed such a fare payment agreement will be beneficial to both organizations; and

WHEREAS, The parties desire to enter into a five (5) year agreement; 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 execute a five (5) year agreement with United Airlines, Inc. for a term commencing on October 27, 2026 and for a period of five (5) years thereafter, pursuant to which United Airlines will compensate the Authority at the current regular train fare for each rider using the CTA Blue Line between the CTA Cumberland and O'Hare Airport Stations while utilizing a valid Ventra Card, and includes such other terms as are substantially in conformance with the agreement attached as Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 2. The Chair of the Board, or designee, is hereby authorized to execute all documents required to allow United Airlines-designated personnel to use the Blue Line train between the CTA Cumberland and O'Hare Airport Stations.

SECTION 3. The Chair, or designee, is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

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Chair

October 27, 2026

PASSED:

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Secretary

October 27, 2026