RESOLUTION NO. 2147-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED “ALL ABOARD FLORIDA” PRIVATELY OWNED, OPERATED AND MAINTAINED INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE BETWEEN DOWNTOWN MIAMI AND THE ORLANDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BEING DEVELOPED BY FLORIDA EAST COAST INDUSTRIES, LLC; AND FURTHER URGING THE GOVERNOR, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, ENTERPRISE FLORIDA AND OTHER AGENCIES TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT AS NECESSARY.

WHEREAS Central Florida is the nation’s most visited region and the Orlando International Airport is one of the busiest in the United States; and

WHEREAS, South Florida is the State’s most populous and most utilized transit-oriented region; and

WHEREAS, despite these facts, neither Orlando International Airport nor Downtown Miami are currently served directly by regional or intercity passenger rail; and

WHEREAS, Florida East Coast Industries, Inc. has announced plans to develop privately owned, operated and maintained passenger rail service between Downtown Miami and Orlando Airport, with additional stops at Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach; and

WHEREAS, the City of Winter Park finds that this proposed service addresses critical transportation challenges as Florida’s population grows and is consistent with the State’s goal to have additional mobility options for residents and visitors to move between Central and South Florida; and

WHEREAS, the future SunRail connection between Winter Park and the Orlando Airport Intermodal Transportation Facility will provide our residents with a convenient and seamless link to the airport and the All Aboard Florida passenger rail station,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA.

Section 1. The recitals are true and correct and are adopted by reference and incorporated as if fully set forth in this Section.

Section 2. The City Commission of the City of Winter Park, Florida supports the proposed “All Aboard Florida” privately owned, operated and maintained passenger rail service between Orlando International Airport and Downtown Miami being developed by Florida East Coast Industries, LLC.

Section 3. The City Commission of the City of Winter Park, Florida urges the Governor, Florida Department of Transportation, Enterprise Florida and other agencies to support the project as necessary.

ADOPTED this 10th day of November, 2014.

Mayor Kenneth W. Bradley

ATTEST:

Cynthia S. Bonham, City Clerk