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Property Tax Renewal Provides Continued Funding for TARTA Services and Sustains Transportation Access

(TOLEDO – April 29, 2020) Lucas County voters sent a strong message of support to the Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority (TARTA), as they approved the renewal of a 10-year, 1 mill property tax set to begin in 2021. Final, unofficial results from the Lucas County Board of Elections, show the issue passed with 66.46% percent of the vote.

“The ballot results demonstrate our community knows the importance of public transit and TARTA especially during a crisis,” expressed Board President Daniel Woodcock. “On behalf of the board, employees and riders of our system, thank you to the Lucas County community for its support of Issue 3. We will serve Northwest Ohio through COVID and beyond.”

The renewal funding allows the continuance of critical public transit service and access including: Fixed Route Service, TARPS Paratransit, Call-A-Ride and Express Service. TARTA is also currently exploring a more sustainable and equitable funding structure to address growing mobility needs of Northwest Ohio residents, businesses and communities. Increased local funding would allow TARTA to restore Sunday service, increase service frequency and hours for second and third shift workers, and introduce new technology features to enhance the customer experience.

About TARTA

The Toledo Area Regional Transit Authority (TARTA) provides a vital link in the Toledo metro area to jobs, education, health care and other destinations. It enables everyone in our community to have access to transportation regardless of their age, race, physical ability or economic background. TARTA is underway with exploring and introducing new initiatives and service options that will enhance convenience and customer experience while moving Toledo into the future of public transit.