

**RESOLUTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES THAT WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REVENUE TO COUNTIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND BRIDGES**

**WHEREAS**, the Members of the Mississippi Association of Supervisors (the "Association") have met to consider support for proposed legislation during the 2017 Mississippi Legislative Session; and

**WHEREAS**, Mississippi's aging roads and bridges are in a state of severe disrepair and have reached emergency status; and

**WHEREAS**, current funding levels are insufficient to meet the growing backlog of necessary road and bridge repair, which is nearing \$7 billion; and

**WHEREAS**, preserving the State's transportation infrastructure is vital to the safety and welfare of its citizens and for economic development and growth;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Association supports legislative initiatives that will provide additional revenue to counties for the maintenance, repair and construction of roads and bridges; and

**RESOLVED** that the Association supports legislative initiatives that provide counties a proportionate share of any increase that is greater than or equal to the proportionate share of revenue that is currently provided for by law, wherein counties receive approximately twenty-two percent (22%) of such revenue; and

**RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be mailed to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, and to each committee of the Mississippi Legislature to which such proposed legislation has been assigned.



Executed this, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017

Connie Rockco, MAS President, 2016-2017

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