**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION**

**OF THE FUTURE INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 27 IN TEXAS.**

**WHEREAS,** Congress has already designated the Ports-to-Plains Corridor in Texas as a High Priority Corridor on the National Highway System; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress also designated the Ports-to-Plains Corridor in Texas and New Mexico as a Future Interstate Highway;

**WHEREAS,** the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study (the “Study”) provided an estimate of the economic impact of the Future Interstate Highway in Texas including a $55.6 billion in increased Texas GDP, a 76% Return on Investment, and a Cost/Benefit Ratio of 2.4;

**WHEREAS,** inclusion in the Unified Transportation Plan (UTP)is important to completing the planning and construction of the future interstate highway because the UTP includes all transportation projects that TxDOT is developing for construction over the next 10 years;

**WHEREAS,** a portion of the Planning Authority required for an interstate highway is available prior to inclusion in the UTP;

**WHEREAS,** within the UTP is funding for Development Authority including Initial Design, Right-of-Way, and Environmental;

**WHEREAS,** Federal funding through discretionary grants and appropriations requests will accelerate the development and construction of the Interstate Highway.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE**

 *(Body making this resolution)*

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**Section** I. That the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_urges TxDOT to invest in the development and

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construction of Future Interstate Highway 27 through pre-UTP Planning Authority, Development Authority within the UTP; and Letting Authority within the UTP; and

**Section 2.** Urges the Federal Congressional Delegation and TxDOT to invest in the development and construction of Future Interstate Highway 27.

**Section 3.** This resolution to be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

**Section 4.** If any portion or provision of this resolution shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such portion or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution, the intention being that the same are severable.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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