

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-19

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS FOR LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS CONCERNING THE ENACTMENT BY THE KANSAS LEGISLATURE OF A NEW STATE WIDE COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, one of the major responsibilities of Lincoln County government is to plan for the immediate and long-term transportation needs of Lincoln County;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County, Kansas (hereinafter the "County") has conducted the necessary investigations to identify the transportation capital improvements that are needed in the County area and surrounding region; and

WHEREAS, these specific transportation capital improvements are essential to the health, safety and welfare of our citizens in the future; and

WHEREAS, these specific transportation capital improvements are vital to the economic well being of the County and to its long-term growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the failure to undertake these transportation capital improvements will impede and may prevent the economic needs and goals of the County from being accomplished; and

WHEREAS, the County is unable to finance such capital transportation improvements without substantial assistance from the State of Kansas and the Kansas Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas and the Department of Transportation cannot sufficiently address the transportation needs of the County and other cities and counties across the state without the enactment of a new Comprehensive Transportation Program by the Kansas Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS:

Section 1. Priority Transportation Projects. After careful investigation of the transportation needs in the County, the following transportation capital improvements are hereby declared to be vital to the future economic growth and development of the County and the safety of its citizens:

- (1) K-14 shoulders from I-70 to Beloit
- (2) Improved intersection at *K-15 & US-56*
- (3) Airport improvements at *Hillsboro* airport
- (4) Increase funding for Transit
- (5) Increase funding for local roads and streets (Special City & County Highway Fund)

- (6) Increase lane mile payments to cities for maintenance of state highways within cities (connecting links).
- (7) Funding for economic development street-road projects
- (8) Funding for KLINK resurfacing projects on city connecting links.
- (9) Funding for geometric improvements on city connecting links.
- (10) Funding for turn lanes on highways at key intersections in rural areas.

Section 2. **New Comprehensive Transportation Program.** The County hereby endorses and supports the enactment of a new Comprehensive Transportation Program by the Kansas Legislature of sufficient size and magnitude to address the specific transportation capital improvements set forth in Section 1.


Section 3. The County Clerk shall send copies of this resolution and any supporting documentation to: Governor Kathleen Sebelius; State Senator, Jay Emler; State Representative, Elaine Bowers; all candidates for state representative; and local news media outlets; and the Kansas Association of Counties.

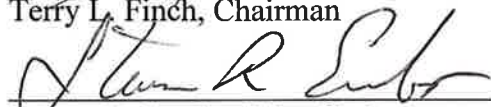
ADOPTED this 31st day of October, 2008

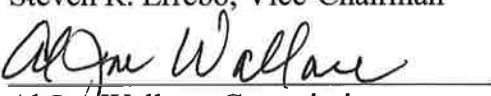
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