

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Senators Rielly and Noble, Chair and Ranking Member respectively of the Transportation Committee, are seeking input concerning transportation needs with public meetings that are being held throughout the state; and

WHEREAS the Road Use Tax Fund is an important source of support for construction and maintenance projects at the city, county and state level; and

WHEREAS an integral part of that R.U.T.F. is the fuel tax, which has not increased since 1989, and during that timeframe construction costs have more than doubled; and

WHEREAS the Iowa Good Roads Association, the Iowa County Supervisor's Association, the Iowa County Engineer's Association and a consortium of additional public and private individuals and organizations, has promoted the TIME-21 program (Transportation Investment Moves the Economy in the 21st Century) to underscore that steady deterioration of the construction dollar; and

WHEREAS TIME-21 supports the Iowa Department of Transportation's request for an additional \$200 million added to the R.U.T.F. that would be committed to roadway infrastructure and would be generated by increasing transportation-related fees;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Des Moines County Board of Supervisors recognizes the vital role that our transportation system performs for Iowa and encourages the legislature to consider funding alternatives to increase revenue to the Road Use Tax Fund.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2007.

DES MOINES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

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ATTEST:

CAROL S. COPELAND, AUDITOR