

RESOLUTION NO. 07-057  
City Council

**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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 Hiawatha City Council of the City of Hiawatha, Iowa 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.

Resolved this 21st day of March, 2007

AYES: Tim Conklin, Dick Olson, Nancy Melsa, Tom Theis, Darryl Bradley

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Thomas C. Patterson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kim Downs, City Clerk