

National Lieutenant Governors Association

1 RESOLUTION TO DEVELOP A SHARED, LONG TERM VISION FOR SURFACE TRANSPORTATION

2 Whereas, America's transportation system continues to age; revenues for our transportation system continue to

- decline as vehicles become more fuel efficient and travel patterns change; and the Nation lacks a surface
 transportation funding plan come this Fall, and
- 5 Whereas, the ability to confidently plan future transportation planning upon which economic development, 6 stability, and jobs are reliant, and
- 7 Whereas, the Highway Trust Fund is estimated to become insolvent in 2015 and the American Society of Civil
- 8 Engineers estimated America's surface transportation infrastructure faces a funding gap of about \$94 billion a
- 9 year based on current spending levels, and
- 10 Whereas, the Nation requires a 21st century surface transportation system and a viable, reliable long term plan, 11 and
- 12 Whereas, a forward thinking surface transportation plan and funding system should reflect and integrate interstate
- 13 commerce, freight mobility, movement of people among states, security and safety, environmental preservation,
- 14 research and innovation, and economic productivity, and
- Whereas, the ability of the Nation and its states to compete globally relies on the long term plan and vision of surface transportation and on enabling states and their leaders the confidence to let contracts without interruption,
- 17 Thereby be it Resolved that the National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA) calls on Congress to work
- 18 closely with states to develop a shared, long-term vision for planning, financing, and funding surface
- 19 transportation systems to enhance the nation's prosperity and the quality of life of all Americans, and
- 20 Be it Further Resolved that the NLGA calls on Congress to enact a timely resolution to future surface 21 transportation funding, and
- Be it Finally Resolved that such plans engenders a long term vision which provides surety no confidence to planning for states and territories and their leaders.

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