

RESOLUTION No.____

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED LEGISLATION SB1 AND AB1 FOR INCREASED FUNDING FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE PURPOSES AND AUTHORIZING LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO BE SENT TO THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, Nevada County maintains approximately 560 miles of roads whose condition is currently in the top 10 for county roads in the State; and

WHEREAS, the County is in its second year of not being able to perform preventative maintenance activities, such as chip sealing and asphalt overlays, to ensure the longevity of roads due to declining funding sources; and

WHEREAS, the County's primary revenue for road maintenance comes from the gas tax whose funding source has declined approximately 33% over the past 10 years while road maintenance expenses have increased approximately 22% from inflating construction and labor costs; and

WHEREAS, the road fund balance is projected to become insufficient to support minimum cash flow requirements for road maintenance activities within the next 3 years; and

WHEREAS, California Senator Jim Beall introduced SB1 on December 5, 2016 to amend Sections 13975, 14500, 14526.5, and 16965 of, to add Sections 14033, 14110, 14526.7, and 16321 to, to add Part 5.1 (commencing with Section 14460) to Division 3 of Title 2 of, and to repeal Section 14534.1 of, the Government Code, to amend Section 39719 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 21080.37 of, and to add and repeal Division 13.6 (commencing with Section 21200) of, the Public Resources Code, to amend Section 99312.1 of the Public Utilities Code, to amend Sections 6051.8, 6201.8, 7360, 8352.4, 8352.5, 8352.6, and 60050 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, to amend Sections 183.1, 2192, and 2192.2 of, to add Sections 820.1, 2103.1, and 2192.4 to, and to add Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 2030) to Division 3 of, the Streets and Highways Code, and to add Sections 9250.3, 9250.6, and 9400.5 to the Vehicle Code, relating to transportation, making an appropriation therefore, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately; and

WHEREAS, California Assessmblymember Jim Frazier introduced AB1 on December 5, 2016 to amend Sections 13975, 14500, 14526.5, and 16965 of, to add Sections 14033, 14526.7, and 16321 to, to add Part 5.1 (commencing with Section 14460) to Division 3 of Title 2 of, and to repeal Section 14534.1 of, the Government Code, to amend Section 39719 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 21080.37 of, and to add Division 13.6 (commencing with Section 21200) to, the Public Resources Code, to amend Section 99312.1 of, and to add Section 99314.9 to, the Public Utilities Code, to amend Sections 6051.8, 6201.8, 7360, 8352.4, 8352.5, 8352.6, and 60050 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, to amend Sections 183.1, 2192, 2192.1, and 2192.2 of, to add Sections 820.1, 2103.1, and 2192.4 to, and to add Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 2030) to Division 3 of, the Streets and Highways Code, and to add Sections 9250.3, 9250.6, and 9400.5 to the Vehicle Code, relating to transportation, making an appropriation therefore, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately; and

WHEREAS, SB1 and AB1 proposes approximately \$4.28 billion in new revenues annually that includes a 12 cent increase to the Gas Tax, an increase to Vehicle Registration Fee to \$38, an increase to the Zero Emission Vehicle Registration Fee of \$100 and \$165, respectfully, Maintenance & Rehabilitation Investments of \$3.12 billion, Freight Investments of \$600 million and Transit Investment of \$563 million, and an increase to existing Cap and Trade Expenditures; and

WHEREAS, SB1 and AB1 propose approximately \$1.81 billion in restored/returned revenues for Maintenance and Rehabilitation Investments that include an elimination of annual BOE adjustments of price-based excise tax, \$125 million in price –based revenues from the sale of fuel for non-highway purposes and a return of \$60 million in miscellaneous transportation revenues; and

WHEREAS, SB1 and AB1 propose \$703 million in onetime transportation loan revenues for Maintenance and Rehabilitation Investments with a 50/50 split between the state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, both SB1 and AB1 would have a significant positive financial impact on the County's primary source of revenues for road maintenance that would enable a proactive activities, such as chip sealing and asphalt overlays, to ensure the longevity of the County's road and infrastructure system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Nevada County hereby proclaims its support for proposed legislation SB1 and AB1 for increased funding for road maintenance purposes and authorizes letters of support to be sent to the California Legislature and that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute the letter on behalf of the County of Nevada.