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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF PROPOSITION 69,)
TRANSPORTATION TAXES AND FEES)
LOCKBOX AND APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT)
EXEMPTION AMENDMENT)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, cities and counties own and operate more than 81% of streets and roads in California, and from the moment we open our front door to drive to work, bike to school, or walk to the bus station, people are dependent upon a safe, reliable local transportation network; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment, which provides critical analysis and information on the local transportation network's condition and funding needs, indicates that the condition of the local transportation network is deteriorating at an increasing rate; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties are facing a funding shortfall of \$73 billion over the next ten years to repair and maintain in a good condition the local streets and roads system and the State Highway System has \$57 billion worth of deferred maintenance; and

WHEREAS, Fresno County maintains the largest number of road miles in California at over 3,000 miles, and has an estimated deferred maintenance of approximately \$724 million; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) – the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 – will raise approximately \$5.4 billion annually in long-term, dedicated transportation funding to rehabilitate and maintain local streets, roads, and highways, make critical, life-saving safety improvements, repair, and replace aging bridges and culverts, reduce congestion and increase mobility options including bicycle and pedestrian facilities with the revenues split equally between state and local projects; and

WHEREAS, these transportation revenues should be constitutionally protected to ensure funds are used only for transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 69 on the June 2018 ballot would add another layer of accountability by preventing the State Legislature from diverting or raiding any new transportation revenues for nontransportation improvement purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the County of Fresno supports Proposition 69 on the June 2018 ballot to prevent new transportation funds from being diverted for nontransportation purposes; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Fresno supports and can be listed as a member of the Coalition to Protect Local Transportation Improvements, a diverse coalition of local government, business, labor, transportation and other organizations throughout the state, in support of Proposition 69.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 8th day of May, 2018, to-wit:

AYES:

Supervisors Borgeas, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero

NOES:

None

None

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Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:

Bernice E. Seidel

Deputy

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

County of Fresno, State of California

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