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October 11, 2007

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Bennettsville, SC 29512

Mr. Mitchell Metts
I-73 Project Manger
SCDOT
Post Office Box 191
Columbia, SC 29202

Re: Covington/Parker/Allen Home on Highway 381 South

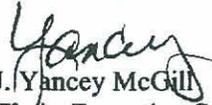
Gentlemen:

I have been contacted by Ms. Laura Creel of Hemingway regarding the above historical property. Ms. Creel advised that the home located at 3384 Highway 381 South near Clio was built in 1840 and photos of the house, old and present day, were shown in the *Marlboro Herald Advocate* newspaper issues March 17, 1970, and April 7, 1970 which indicates that the house is the oldest one on a tour of historical houses in the area. The house is currently owned by Mr. and Mrs. Wade Kalinowski. The history of the house is well documented and the house has been well maintained over the years with all renovations made and fixtures replaced according to the period. I am attaching a map showing the exact location of the house.

It is important that we protect our heritage and the few remaining historical houses in South Carolina. The Creel family is very concerned that this house might be destroyed in the construction of I-73. They have requested that I make you aware of the history of the house and the need to preserve it. I have assured them that NESA, the I-73 Committee and the South Carolina Department of Transportation will make every effort to consider their request when determining the I-73 route.

If either of you would contact Ms. Creel at [redacted] and simply confirm that you received her request and this information will be shared when finalizing plans for the I-73 route, it would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,


J. Yancey McGill
Chair, Executive Committee

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September 21, 2007

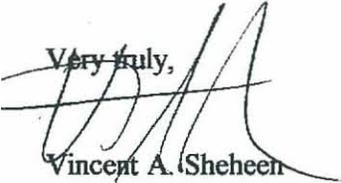
Mr. Mitchell Metts-I-73 Project Manager
SC DOT
PO Box 191
Columbia SC 29202

Dear Mr. Metts,

Please find enclosed herein a copy of a Resolution by the Chesterfield County Legislative Delegation endorsing reconsideration of the Western Route for I-73. Please take this important acknowledgment into consideration and pass it along to whomever else may be involved in final decision making.

Thank you for your work on this effort.

Very truly,


Vincent A. Sheheen

cc: Ronald Thurmond, Chesterfield Administrator
J. Mathew Rivers, Chesterfield County Council Chair
Andy Ingram, Mayor Cheraw
Mr. Fred Craft, Cheraw

Chesterfield County Legislative Delegation Office

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Endorsement of Western Route for

I-73 Northern Corridor

We, the legislative delegation for Chesterfield County hereby endorse the Western Route for the Northern Corridor of proposed Interstate I-73. We ask that you consider the greater economic development impact the Western Route would have on three counties- not just Marlboro county- remembering that the Pee Dee is South Carolina's most economically distressed area.

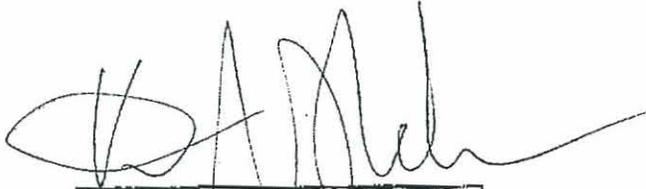
We ask that SCDOT's "Geographic Information System" (GIS) be used again to include truck data you have been provided by the companies in our three counties. We believe that by analyzing the location of all existing manufacturing plants, hospitals, airports, infrastructure, the Great Pee Dee River, county, state, and federal facilities, you will find the Western Route give better access now to existing manufacturing jobs while providing better and safer access for truck traffic to and from I-73 in the entire Pee Dee, not just Marlboro County.

In looking over your handout at the public meetings we noticed on page three it says, "Project Needs: Enhance economic opportunities and development in countries with high unemployment and low income in northeastern South Carolina and southeastern North Carolina. The Secondary Needs are to improve access for tourism." The study gave no value between routes for economic development.

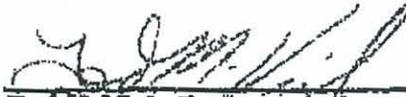
The total route for I-73 in South Carolina is eighty-one miles using the Central Route. The Western Route is eighty-five miles. So, for five percent more to the total project, we can greatly increase opportunities in the Upper Pee Dee. Since the cost per mile is approximately the same on all of the routes, five percent is a small price to pay for more economic opportunities.

We understand that wetlands are important and it is costly to mitigate. However, that did not stop the construction of Highway 22 from providing better access to Myrtle Beach, nor should it stop I-73 from better serving Marlboro County, Chesterfield County, and Darlington County.

We need to think, plan, and act regionally, not just locally, and select what will be the best route 50 years from now for all Peed Dee residents, businesses, industries, and towns. If the real goal is to enhance, present and future economic opportunities and development in countries with high unemployment, the Western Route be considered



Vincent A. Sheheen, Senator
Chesterfield, Kershaw, Lancaster

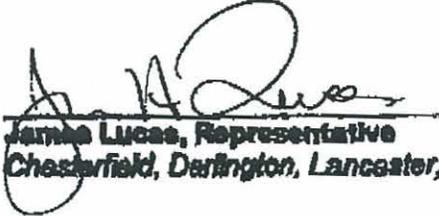


Ted M. Vick, Representative
Chesterfield



Gerald Malloy, Senator
Chesterfield, Darlington, Lee, Marlboro

Denny Nelson, Representative
Chesterfield, Darlington



James Lucas, Representative
Chesterfield, Darlington, Lancaster, Kershaw

Resolution 1-2007

**A Resolution Endorsing the Western Route
Of the Northern I-73 Leg through Marlboro County**

WHEREAS, Interstate 73 has been identified as a High Priority Route from Michigan to South Carolina through six(6) separate states, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the corridor is to link the nation's regions and support economic growth by improving the movement of goods between South Carolina ports and areas north to Michigan, and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) has been working on the necessary feasibility and environmental impact studies in an effort to locate the I-73 corridor through the state so that it has the least impact to wetlands, the fewest farms impacted, for the least cost and with the least impact to cultural resources, and

WHEREAS, in May of 2006, the SCDOT announced the location of the preferred alternative route for the southern portion of I-73 beginning at Interstate 95 in Dillon County heading to Myrtle Beach through Marion & Horry Counties, and

WHEREAS, the SCDOT has since identified three(3) main alternative routes for the northern portion of the proposed I-73 to I-95 through Marlboro County, and

WHEREAS, two of the proposed routes are located on the eastern side of Bennettsville decreasing the effectiveness of the route to those businesses and individuals from Chesterfield and Darlington Counties,

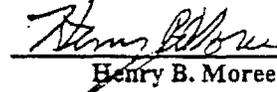
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Society Hill endorses the proposed Western Route of the northern I-73 corridor through Marlboro County and further encourages the SCDOT to strongly consider the economic benefits and increased livability standards of Society Hill.

This done in Council assembled this 12th day of March, 2007.

ATTEST:


Jean Reynolds, Clerk-Treasurer

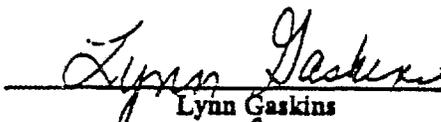
Mayor:


Henry B. Moree

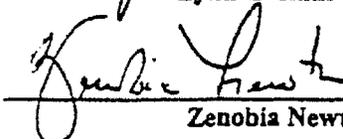
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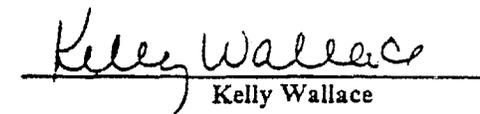

Les Baker


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MARLBORO COUNTY
Economic Development
P A R T N E R S H I P

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February 20, 2007

Mr. Mitchell Metts, P. E.
Interstate 73 Project Manager
955 Park Street, Room 508
P. O. Box 191
Columbia, S. C. 29202-0191

RE: I-73 Preferred Route

Dear Mr. Metts,

The Marlboro County Economic Development Partnership voted unanimously to support the center route of the proposed I-73 through Marlboro County at its February 19, 2007 board meeting.

The center route based on its proximity to the City of Bennettsville, the hub of Marlboro County, would be the ideal location for an interchange and best serve the needs of Marlboro County.

Sincerely,


Hubert Meggs,
Chairman

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE WESTERN ROUTE
OF THE NORTHERN LEG OF INTERSTATE 73
THROUGH MARLBORO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Interstate 73 has been identified as a High Priority Route from Michigan to South Carolina through 6 (six) separate states; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the corridor is to link the nation's regions and to support economic growth by improving the movement of goods between South Carolina ports and areas north to Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Cheraw, Inc. was created in March 2006 by the Mayor and members of the Cheraw Town Council to promote the economic well being of the Town of Cheraw through efforts to assist with new business and industrial recruitment and to support existing business and industry; and

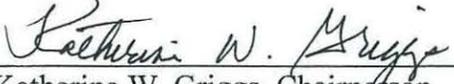
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WHEREAS, the SCDOT has since identified three (3) main alternative routes for the northern portion of the proposed I-73; and

WHEREAS, the **westernmost route** under consideration by the SCDOT would most positively benefit industry and business in the counties of Chesterfield, Darlington, and Marlboro and the Town of Cheraw,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Cheraw, Inc., economic development group endorses the proposed Western Route of the northern corridor of I-73 through Marlboro County and further encourages the SCDOT to strongly consider the economic benefits and the lesser impact to the environment and cultural resources in designating the future route.

Adopted this fifteenth day of February in the year two thousand and seven.



Katherine W. Griggs, Chairperson
on behalf of the members of Cheraw, Inc., Economic Development Group
206 Elizabeth Drive
Cheraw, SC 29520

**A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE WESTERN ROUTE OF THE
NORTHERN I-73 LEG THROUGH MARLBORO COUNTY**

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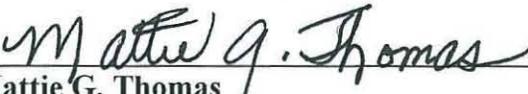
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WHEREAS, two of the proposed routes are located on the eastern and central areas of Bennettsville, decreasing the effectiveness of the route to those businesses and individuals from Chesterfield and Darlington Counties.

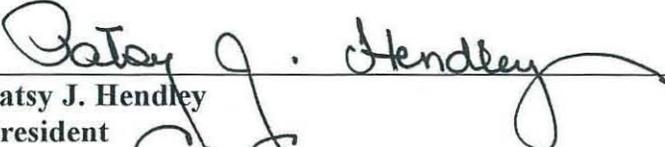
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Greater Cheraw Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors hereby endorses the proposed Western Route of the northern I-73 corridor through Marlboro County and further encourages the SCDOT to strongly consider the economic benefits and the lesser impact to the environment and cultural resources in designating the future route.

**This done the 30th day of January, 2007 in a duly assembled meeting of the
Greater Cheraw Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting.**



Mattie G. Thomas
Chairman, Greater Cheraw Chamber Of Commerce

Attest:



Patsy J. Hendley
President

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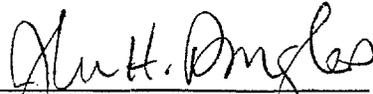
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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Chesterfield hereby endorses the proposed Western Route of the northern I-73 corridor through Marlboro County and further encourages the SCDOT to strongly consider the economic benefits and the lesser impact to the environment and cultural resources in designating the future route.

Adopted this eleventh day of January in the year two thousand and seven.

APPROVED:



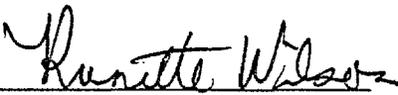
Mayor John Douglas

ATTEST:

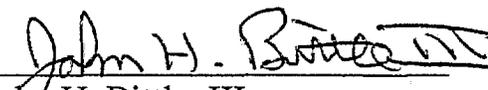


Municipal Clerk Betty Lynn Watson

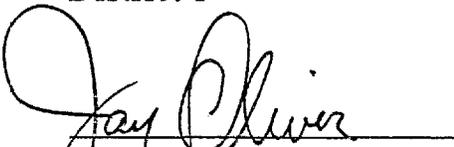
Town Council



Runette E. Wilson
District 1

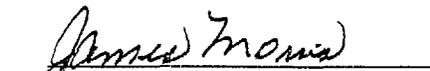


John H. Bittle, III
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Jay Oliver
District 3

William Schumacher
District 4



James Morris
District 5

Amy Brown
District 6

COUNTY OF CHESTERFIELD)
)
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

RESOLUTION

07-01

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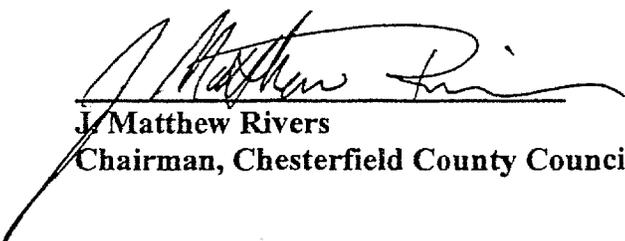
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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chesterfield County Council hereby endorses the proposed Western Route of the northern I-73 corridor through Marlboro County and further encourages the SCDOT to strongly consider the economic benefits and the lesser impact to the environment and cultural resources in designating the future route.

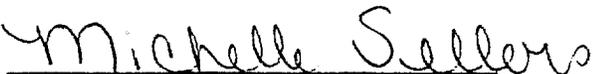
This done the 3rd day of January, 2007 in a duly assembled meeting of the Chesterfield County Council.


J. Matthew Rivers

Chairman, Chesterfield County Council

Seal

Attest:



Michelle Sellers

Clerk to Council

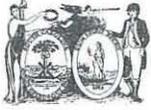
The House of Representatives

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

STATE HOUSE

P. O. BOX 11867

Columbia 29211



TED MARTIN VICK

AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES
AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE

CHESTERFIELD COUNTY DELEGATION,
CHAIRMAN

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January 2, 2007

Mitchell Metts
I-73 Project Manager
SCDOT
PO Box 191
Columbia, SC 29202

Dear Mr. Metts:

Enclosed you will find a Resolution endorsing the Western Route of the Northern I-73 Leg through Marlboro County that I received from Cheraw Town Council.

The reason for my writing is to express my approval and complete support of the Western Route. This route, I believe, will better serve our industries and businesses in Chesterfield County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ted M. Vick".

Representative Ted M. Vick
S.C. House District 53

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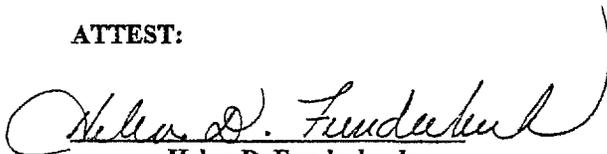
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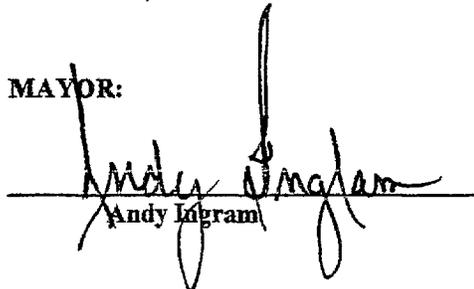
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Cheraw hereby endorses the proposed Western Route of the northern I-73 corridor through Marlboro County and further encourages the SCDOT to strongly consider the economic benefits and the lesser impact to the environment and cultural resources in designating the future route.

This done in Council assembled this 12th day of December, 2006.

ATTEST:


Helen D. Funderburk
Clerk-Treasurer

MAYOR:

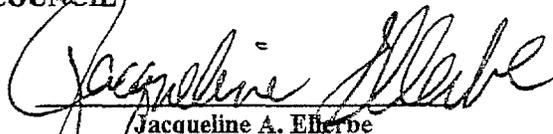

Andy Ingram

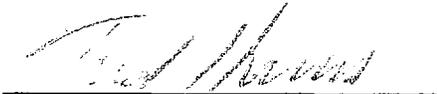
Town Council also passed a resolution to endorse the western route of the northern I-73 leg through Marlboro County.

"This route is approximately seven miles from the limits of Cheraw," Ingram said. "This route will better serve our industries and business on that end."

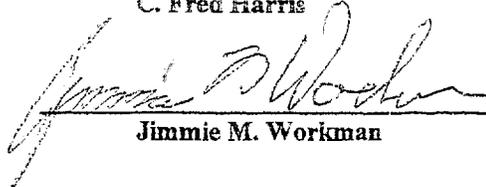
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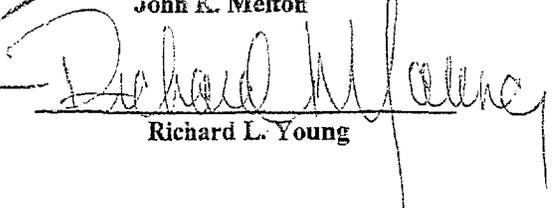

Robert L. Benton


Jacqueline A. Elerbe


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Richard L. Young



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November 29, 2006

South Carolina Dept. of Transportation
Attn: Mitchell Metts, Project Manager
Post Office Box 191
Columbia, SC 29202

Dear Mr. Metts:

Weyerhaeuser is a major, international producer of forest products with a strong presence in Marlboro County, S.C. We have been watching the progress of the I-73 corridor with great interest and are excited about the potential impact that it will have on this county.

Weyerhaeuser has facilities located on the north and south end of Marlboro County. The paper mill on Hwy 912 and the converting plant in Tatum are major arrival and destination points for highway traffic. Combined, these facilities received a minimum of 116,000 vehicles in 2005. The CENTRAL route of I-73 would best suit both facilities as it would pass nearly equidistant between them.

Weyerhaeuser ask that you consider this request when making the final decision and offer our support and help in getting this done.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at

Sincerely,

Marvin D. Cooper
Executive Vice President

MDC/bnf

Town of Blenheim

Mayor
J. Philip Thomas

Clerk
Sara Thomas

Council
Toma Dees
Pamela McDowell
John Nolan
Carl Freeman

November 22, 2006

Mr. Mitchell Metts, P. E.
Interstate 73 Project Manager
955 Park Street, Room 508
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Columbia, S. C. 29202-0191

RE: I-73 Preferred Route

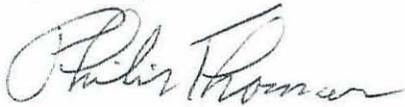
Dear Mr. Metts:

The Town of Blenheim at its October Town Meeting voted unanimously to support the center route of the proposed I-73 through Marlboro County.

The Center Route based on its proximity to the City of Bennettsville, the hub of Marlboro County would be the ideal location for an interchange and would probably bring in new stores and restaurants. The Center Route is the most logical geographically based on the Town locations of McColl, Tatum, Clio and Blenheim.

The Town of Blenheim would welcome the opportunity for a town hall meeting for the I-73 Project Staff to present and discuss any issues with the overall project.

Sincerely,



Philip Thomas,
Mayor

Copies:

Representative Doug Jennings
151 Broad Street
P. O. Drawer 995
Bennettsville, S. C. 29512



City of Bennettville

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
843-479-9001 P. O. BOX 1036

Bennettville, South Carolina 29512

November 22, 2006

Mr. Mitchell Metts
SCDOT Program Manager
P. O. Box 191 Room 508
Columbia, S.C. 29202-0191

Ref: I-73 Preference Letter

Dear Mr. Metts:

I am pleased to notify you that during our regular meeting on November 21, 2006, the Bennettville City Council approved a motion "in support of the center route and an exit ramp" for I-73 in Marlboro County. I have also notified the other mayors of the Marlboro County communities that you would like to know their preference. I hope this helps expedite this important project and please let me know how I can assist further.

Sincerely,

Mayor Benjy Rogers

Cc: Bennettville City Council
Mayor Thomas, Town of Blenheim
Mayor Barnett, Town of Tatum
Mayor McRae, Town of Clio
Mayor Quick, Town of McColl

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November 16, 2006

Mr. Mitchell Metts
I-73 Project Manager
S.C. Department of Transportation
Columbia, SC

Dear Mitchell:

Please accept this letter as my strong recommendation that you and others give serious consideration to the more central route for I-73 through Marlboro County.

After studying all of the available maps, etc., it is my opinion that the route passing just east of Bennettsville is the much more preferable one.

As I studied this 2500-ft. path on your computer at the Hamlet meeting, it became abundantly clear to me that this path comes very close to existing water, sewer, electricity, and natural gas services provided by the City of Bennettsville. This means we can readily provide infrastructure at the intersection with US 15-401.

Already these services are available at Marlboro County High School on Fayetteville Avenue Extension and at International Cup Corporation's plant on Hanes Road. My choice is the path noted as **Potential Corridor 3** among the six choices offered.

My other strong opinion is that I-73 should **not** travel coterminous with I-95 at all.

I like your projections which call for a new I-73/I-95 intersection several miles north of the SC 38/I-95 intersection at Oak Grove, which seems to be the most logical one to connect with the preferred southern route near Latta.

I truly appreciate the friendship and collegial way you and others working for I-73 have met me and others working at the grass roots level to help make this dream become a reality.

Thank you for your many courtesies and I look forward to seeing you and working with you many more times in the future until I-73 becomes a reality.

Sincerely,

Bill Kinney, Jr.
Editor and Publisher

**Resolution by the Board of Transportation on the
COLLABORATION OF NORTH CAROLINA AND
SOUTH CAROLINA ON PLANNING FOR ROUTES CROSSING
THEIR COMMON BORDER**

March 3, 2005

WHEREAS, members of the Board have met with members of the South Carolina Transportation Commission to discuss the future of Interstates 73 and 74 in both states; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges its willingness to construct Interstate 73 from Interstate 74 to the South Carolina state line in the vicinity of the Route 38 corridor between Richmond County, North Carolina and Marlboro County, South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Transportation Commission has acknowledged its willingness to extend South Carolina Route 31, Carolina Bays Parkway, to the North Carolina state line in order that North Carolina can connect I-74, or a connector thereof, to the Carolina Bays Parkway; and

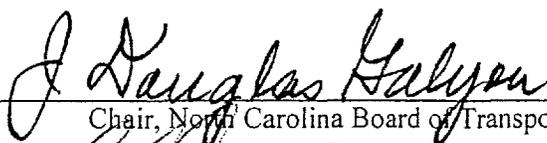
WHEREAS, the North Eastern Strategic Alliance has passed a resolution in support of the agreements between North Carolina and South Carolina; and

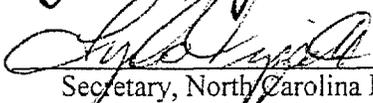
WHEREAS, it is in both states' interest, for reasons of furthering economic development and prosperity in each state and enhancing safety and mobility for inter-state travel, to collaborate in the development of, and improvements to, other principal routes and corridors crossing their common border, such as Interstates 73, 74, and 20; and

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Department of Transportation Commission, in a meeting duly assembled on February 17, 2005, approved a resolution acknowledging its intention to construct an extension of South Carolina Route 31, Carolina Bays Parkway, to the North Carolina state line to connect with either Interstate 74 or a connector to Interstate 74;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that both states will concurrently begin the process of working to advance both Interstate 73 from Rockingham, North Carolina to I-95 in South Carolina and the extension of Carolina Bays Parkway from South Carolina Route 9 in South Carolina to US 17 in North Carolina; and

ALSO BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Transportation directs the staff to collaborate with the appropriate staff of the South Carolina Department of Transportation in that Department's initiation of a planning and environmental study for the Interstate 73 corridor from Interstate 95 in South Carolina to US 74 / Future Interstate 74 in Richmond County, North Carolina; and authorizes staff to negotiate an agreement between the two agencies that addresses study cost participation by the North Carolina Department of Transportation at an appropriate and proportionate level.

Signed:  Date: 3-3-05
Chair, North Carolina Board of Transportation

Signed:  Date: 3-3-05
Secretary, North Carolina Department of Transportation