



**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT FOR INCREASED
STATE FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, the Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce is an economic development organization, whose mission is to promote business growth, educational excellence and community partnerships while fostering the overall vitality and quality of life throughout the Clear Lake Bay Area Houston region; and

WHEREAS, the Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce serves 125 square miles of the Texas Gulf Coast region including nine cities within portions of Harris and Galveston Counties that encompass a population of approximately 250,000 in close proximity to Galveston Bay and the Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS the 84th Texas Legislature passed historic legislation proposing a constitutional amendment on the state ballot affecting all state's roads, highways, and bridges; and

WHEREAS this is "The constitutional amendment dedicating certain sales and use tax revenue and motor vehicle sales, use, and rental tax revenue to the state highway fund to provide funding for non-tolled roads and the reduction of certain transportation-related debt;" and

WHEREAS the proposed amendment will aid in maintaining the current infrastructure and will ease congestion by funding new projects for added capacity without any new or increased taxes, fees or debt; and

WHEREAS a strong transportation system is fundamental to Texas' quality of life and economic vitality, attracting new businesses and generating new jobs; and

WHEREAS the proposed amendment would result in an estimated \$3 billion per year for the state highway fund;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce supports the proposed amendment to address Texas' transportation infrastructure needs on the November 3, 2015 ballot.

ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF AUGUST, 2015 BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CLEAR LAKE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Sharon Proulx
Chairman of the Board

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Cindy Harreld-DeWease
President and CEO

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