

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A STUDY TO ACCELERATE THE
UPGRADE OF US HIGHWAY 1 BETWEEN INTERSTATE 540 AND THE
FRANKLIN COUNTY LINE

WHEREAS, US Highway 1 serves as a critical connection between Franklinton and communities, jobs, healthcare, transportation, and industry in Wake County; and

WHEREAS, continued congestion has adversely affected economic development and mobility along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, upgrades and improvements to the corridor have been discussed since the 1990s; and

WHEREAS, in June 2023 NCDOT voted to remove US Highway 1 segments B-D from the STIP; and

WHEREAS, the lack of funding and prioritization of this critical project segment continues to delay addressing issues with traffic congestion along the corridor; and

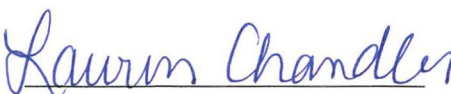
WHEREAS, without decisive action traffic congestion along the corridor will continue to worsen which will negatively affect the quality of life, job creation, and economic vitality for communities located along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, an alternate funding approach using a toll road should be studied to understand the potential positive and negative impacts on the US Highway 1 corridor; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Franklinton, North Carolina hereby encourages and supports the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Executive Board initiating a request to the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the North Carolina Turnpike Authority to study the feasibility and potential impacts of utilizing a toll supported funding mechanism to complete necessary upgrades to US Highway 1 between Interstate 540 and the Franklin County line.

Duly adopted this 19th day of December 2023.

ATTEST



Lauren Chandler, Town Clerk



Mayor Art Wright