

RESOLUTION

RE: Highway Road District Construction and Legislative Support for House Bill 2781

WHEREAS, the Illinois State Legislature is currently considering legislation to amend the Illinois Highway Code to enable counties to be address bridge construction needs under the Township Bridge Program, under HB 2781. Said legislation provides that the General Assembly shall annually appropriate to the Department of Transportation \$60,000,000 (instead of \$15,000,000) for apportionment to counties for the use of road districts for the construction of bridges 20 feet or more in length, and;

WHEREAS, roads and bridges are the largest and most important means of connecting a rural and urban mixed community such as Vermilion County and maintenance of such infrastructure is of the highest important for safety and public use and transportation for private citizens, famers, commercial user, and emergency vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, the Vermilion County Board recognizes the need for such legislation as it would greatly enhance infrastructure condition, community safety, and continue economic investment in the County, and;

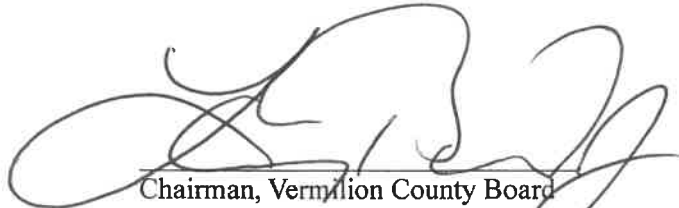
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Vermilion County Board supports such legislation and desires to encourage such action by the Illinois State Legislature, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the County Clerk notify local Illinois State Representatives, the Illinois Department of Transportation and the County Engineer of this action.

PRESENTED, APPROVED, and RESOLVED by the County Board of Vermilion County, Illinois, at their May 9, 2023 meeting.

DATED, this 9th day of May, 2023, A.D.

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Chairman, Vermilion County Board

ATTEST:

Cathy Jenkins
Clerk of the County Board

Ord./Resolution No. 23-0507

Approved by Transportation Committee:

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| <u>Joe Eakle</u> | <u>(Y)</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>A</u> |
| Committee Chairperson | | | |
| Kevin Green (Vice Chair) | <u>(Y)</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>A</u> |
| Mitch Weaver | <u>Y</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>(A)</u> |
| Dan Wright | <u>Y</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>(A)</u> |
| Craig Golden | <u>(Y)</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>A</u> |
| Mark Steinbaugh | <u>Y</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>(A)</u> |
| Robert Boyd | <u>(Y)</u> | <u>N</u> | <u>A</u> |