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A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A FUTURE INTERSTATE DESIGNATION FOR US64 AND US17 BETWEEN RALEIGH AND HAMPTON ROADS

WHEREAS, the NC Department of Transportation has asked that the US64/US17 corridor from Raleigh to Hampton Roads, Va. via Rocky Mount, NC and Elizabeth City, NC be designated as a future Interstate which would help connect I-40/I-440 in Raleigh to I-64 in Hampton Roads, Va.; and

WHEREAS, Hampton Roads and Raleigh are two of the largest east coast metropolitan regions which are served by a primary interstate route (I-64 in Hampton Roads and I-40 in Raleigh); and

WHEREAS, the future interstate designation would create a secondary primary interstate for both areas and connect these two economic regions; and

WHEREAS, requesting a future interstate designation for the section of US64/US17 from Raleigh to Hampton Roads and completing improvements which bring this section of roadway up to interstate standards is part of North Carolina Governor Patrick McCrory's "25 Year Vision for North Carolina– Mapping our Future"; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Northeastern North Carolina share a common interest with the Hampton Roads region for employment, health care, shopping and recreation; and

WHEREAS, businesses currently located in Northeastern North Carolina, and those being recruited to Northeastern North Carolina, have an interest in a safe, fast highway route to the Port of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education believes an interstate highway will enhance safety and promote economic and educational opportunities; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education hereby supports a future interstate designation for US 64 and US17 between Raleigh and Hampton Roads.

Adopted by the Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education this the 30th day of March, 2015.

John Guard, Chairman

Rob Jackson, Superintendent

