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**RESOLUTION
OF THE POLK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**Urging the State Legislature to Re-Fund the
County Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program**

WHEREAS, County revenues are stretched to the very limits in order to meet basic operational costs and to comply with state and federal mandates, making the funds necessary for permanent road improvements are difficult, if not impossible, to include in the County's annual budget without creating an ad valorem tax burden or debt beyond the financial ability of the average County taxpayer to meet; and

WHEREAS, The \$519,595 in State funding received by Polk County in our 2014/2015 County Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program award - along with the County's \$129,899 cost share - allows us to make necessary improvements to only 6.9 miles of the total 16.94 critical miles listed in our original application for funding; and

WHEREAS, The State's 2016/2017 re-funding of this essential grant program is crucial for counties such as ours facing the difficult task of budgeting in the current economic climate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas request the State Legislature to seek the 2016/2017 re-funding of the County Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program through the Texas Department of Transportation and allow us to make the necessary improvements to County roadways without creating an additional burden for County Taxpayers.

RESOLVED AND ENTERED this 24th Day of March, 2015.

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Sydney Murphy
County Judge

Bob Willis
Commissioner, Pct. 1

Milt Purvis
Commissioner, Pct. 3

Ronnie Vincent
Commissioner, Pct. 2

Tommy Overstreet
Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest:

Schelana Hock, County Clerk