

1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16  
2 BY HEATON, MUNDIE, SALTON, BLODGETT, MAIN,  
3 NELSON of Marshall, BRAUNS, KOENIGS, WEIDMAN,  
4 ARNOLD, McCOY, COHOON, LARKIN, and WARNSTADT  
5 A Concurrent Resolution urging the Congress of the United States  
6 to quickly develop and approve the proposed national highway  
7 system.  
8 WHEREAS, a modern, well-maintained, efficient, and  
9 interconnected transportation system is vital to the  
10 economic growth and health, and the global  
11 competitiveness of our state, and the entire nation;  
12 and  
13 WHEREAS, the highway network is the backbone of a  
14 transportation system for the movement of people,  
15 goods, and intermodal connectivity; and  
16 WHEREAS, it is critical to effectively address  
17 highway transportation needs through appropriate  
18 transportation plans and program investments; and  
19 WHEREAS, the 1991 federal Intermodal Surface  
20 Transportation Efficiency Act established the concept  
21 of a 155,000-mile national highway system which  
22 includes the Interstate System; and  
23 WHEREAS, on December 9, 1993, the United States  
24 Department of Transportation transmitted to Congress a  
25 proposed national highway system which identified 104  
26 port facilities, 143 airports, 191 rail-truck  
27 terminals, 321 Amtrak stations, and 319 transit  
28 terminals; and  
29 WHEREAS, the federal Intermodal Surface  
30 Transportation Efficiency Act requires that the

1 national highway system be approved by September 30,  
2 1995, before national highway system and interstate  
3 maintenance funds can be released to the states; and

4 WHEREAS, the uncertainty associated with the future  
5 of the national highway system prevents the states  
6 from effectively undertaking the necessary and  
7 properly developed planning and programming activities  
8 needed to meet the transportation needs of the future;

9 NOW THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE  
11 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Congress of the United  
12 States be urged to accelerate the process of  
13 developing and approving the national highway system.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Iowa's congressional  
15 delegation be urged to support efforts to ensure  
16 adoption of the national highway system in a timely  
17 manner.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this  
19 Resolution be sent to the Governor, the President of  
20 the United States, the President of the United States  
21 Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of  
22 Representatives, and members of Iowa's congressional  
23 delegation.

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