

RESOLUTION NO. 25-86

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature acted in a Special Session in the summer of 1984 to address a crisis caused by the deterioration of the 72,000 mile state highway system; and,

WHEREAS, years of neglect resulted in Texas having more obsolete and substandard roads and bridges than any other state; and,

WHEREAS, lack of state highway funding made it impossible for the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation to adequately maintain and expand roads to serve increasing numbers of vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, the state's deteriorating highway network threatened the safety, economic health, and quality of life of every Texan; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature acted with courage and wisdom to address the highway funding crisis by increasing fees and taxes paid by Texas highway users; and,

WHEREAS, all of the increase in state highway funds came from increases in the state motor fuel tax, vehicle registration fees, and vehicle sales tax; and,

WHEREAS, Texas highway users supported these increases in fees and taxes with the understanding that revenues would be used to maintain and improve their roads; and,

WHEREAS, Texas voters have consistently supported the concept that those who use the highways should pay for them,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Members of the Texas Senate and Texas House of Representatives honor the commitment made in the 1984 Special Session of the Legislature to repair and improve the state's highways; essential highway improvement funds not be diverted to other uses, and; projects to prevent traffic accidents, reduce congestion, and improve mobility of all Texans be completed without delay.

SECTION 2. That this resolution take effect immediately from and after its passage as the law in such cases provides.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on this 4th day of August, A.D., 1986.

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