

RESOLUTION NO. 34-98

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
MESQUITE, TEXAS, URGING THE LEGISLATURE TO
INCREASE APPROPRIATION FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE
MAINTENANCE AND EXPANSION.

WHEREAS, road and bridge maintenance and expansion is a core function of government; and

WHEREAS, mobility is fundamental to Texas economic vitality and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, maintaining mobility requires a continuing investment of state resources to maintain and expand the surface transportation infrastructure to meet identified needs; and

WHEREAS, current level investment in Texas road and bridge maintenance and expansion averages less than \$4 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, Texas should increase its annual investment in surface transportation infrastructure to a level that will enable the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) to address at least one-half of the state's identified transportation needs.

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

SECTION 1. That the 76th Texas Legislature be and hereby is urged to increase the annual appropriation to TXDOT by at least \$1 billion, by using resources available to Texas from the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), by dedicating Fund 006 revenues exclusively for road and bridge maintenance and expansion, by reducing motor fuel tax revenue loss by moving the point of collection from the distribution level to the terminal rack, by increasing the 2060 Permit fee to reduce the passenger vehicle subsidy of oversize/overweight freight vehicles and by imposing a severe sanction on drivers of oversize/overweight vehicles who do not have a valid 2060 Permit.

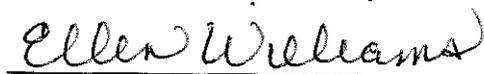
SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition (DRMC) and offices of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the Texas Transportation Commission, and the chairs of the following legislative committees: Senate Interim Committee on Transportation, Senate Committee on Finance, Senate Committee on State Affairs, House Committee on Appropriations, House Committee on Transportation, House Committee on Ways and Means, and House Select Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding. Additional copies shall be presented to all area Senate and House members.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 21st day of September, 1998.



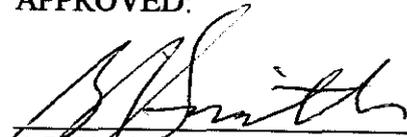
Mike Anderson
Mayor

ATTEST:



Ellen Williams
City Secretary

APPROVED:



B.J. Smith
City Attorney