



DATE: June 22, 2017

TO: Transportation Authority of Marin Board of Commissioners

FROM: Dianne Steinhauser, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation to Assemblyman Jim Frazier and Senator Jim Beall for their sponsorship of AB1 and SB1, which created substantial funds to address transportation needs in California, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Action), Agenda Item 6n

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the attached Resolution of Appreciation to Assemblyman Jim Frazier and Senator Jim Beall for their work to develop AB1 and SB1, receive legislative approval, and guide the final package through approval by Governor Brown's Administration.

BACKGROUND

The State of California has considered the needs of our statewide, as well as local, transportation systems for several years. After the substantial completion of projects in 2014 that were funded through the 2006 Proposition 1B- the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, the State has struggled to fund transportation needs, especially the maintenance and rehabilitation of our aging infrastructure.

The Assembly Transportation Committee, chaired by Assemblyman Jim Frazier of Contra Costa/ Solano, as well as the Senate Transportation Committee, chaired by Senator Jim Beall of Santa Clara, took up the task of working through the Legislature and the Administration to increase revenue for infrastructure. Working diligently in 2014-15-16, the removal of almost \$1 billion in projects from the State Transportation Improvement Program, STIP, in early 2016 due to lack of revenue, shone a bright light on the issue. With the Governor weighing options and balancing a variety of statewide needs, the issue was not addressed at the end of the legislative session in 2016. However, a Special Session was called then cancelled in the Fall of 2016, to address the issue. There was a commitment by the Administration to take up the issue as a first Order of Work in the 2017 legislative session.

Never backing down to a level that was just not enough to meet the needs, Assemblyman Frazier and Senator Beall stayed true to the needs of all the member agencies of the transportation community. The final package of revenue, over \$5 billion annually, will enable the state along with counties, cities, and towns to meet the needs of our aging infrastructure.

NEXT STEP

TAM extends its appreciation to Assemblyman Jim Frazier and Senator Jim Beall for their tireless efforts to end years of inaction by the state, and approve a fiscally responsible plan to address our decrepit infrastructure. The creation of new revenue does not burden future generations, and the addition of expanded accountability measures ensures the funds will stay dedicated to transportation, and be spent efficiently and effectively. The Resolutions of Appreciation will be presented to Assemblyman Jim Frazier and Senator Jim Beall at upcoming ceremonies.

Attachments: Resolutions of Appreciation

TAM RESOLUTION NO. 2017-03

**RESOLUTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OF MARIN IN APPRECIATION
OF SENATOR JIM BEALL FOR HIS SPONSORSHIP OF SB1, WHICH
CREATED SUBSTANTIAL FUNDS TO ADDRESS TRANSPORTATION NEEDS IN
CALIFORNIA, THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017**

Whereas, the State of California has struggled for many years to identify sufficient resources to address its transportation infrastructure needs, causing decrepit roads and bridges to fall further into a state of disrepair; and

Whereas, since the passage of Proposition 1B in 2006, which allowed bonding of revenues, but little new revenue, the state has not established a source for new revenue to address these growing transportation needs; and

Whereas, in his role as Chair of the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee for the State of California, Senator Jim Beall championed discussions for years over how to address the plight of unfunded transportation needs; and

Whereas, Senator Jim Beall kept a shining light on transportation needs when many others looked away; and

Whereas, Senator Jim Beall has been a valiant partner to the counties of the Bay Area including Marin in bringing state revenue to help us meet our needs; and

Whereas, Senator Jim Beall has recognized and supported the passage of local transportation revenue measures and facilitated the critical partnering between the state and local counties in meeting transportation needs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, The Transportation Authority of Marin as the Congestion Management Agency and Sales Tax Authority for Marin County hereby extends its wholehearted appreciation for the tireless work of Senator Jim Beall in championing the passage of the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 approved by the legislature on April 6 and Governor on April 28, 2017.

AYES: Commissioners: Arnold, Campbell, Connolly, Fredericks, Furst, Hillmer, Kuhl, Lucan, McInerney, Moulton-Peters, Phillips, Reed, Rice, Rodoni, Sears, Withy

NOES: Commissioners: None

ABSENT: Commissioners: None

Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Chair
Transportation Authority of Marin

ATTEST:

Dianne Steinhauser
Executive Director

TAM RESOLUTION NO. 2017-04

**RESOLUTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OF MARIN IN APPRECIATION
OF ASSEMBLYMAN JIM FRAZIER FOR HIS SPONSORSHIP OF AB1, WHICH
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