## RESOLUTION OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

- **WHEREAS**, In July 2012. The Citizens of Georgia will be voting on a referendum in each of the twelve special districts created pursuant to the Transportation Investment Act of 2010 ("TIA"); and
- WHEREAS, upon passage of the referendum in any of the special Districts, the Georgia Department of Transportation ("Department") will contract with the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission for the management of the budget, schedule, execution, and delivery of certain projects which are approved by the referendum; and
- WHEREAS, The State Transportation Board ("Board") wishes to address and make any policies which may be needed to in order to ensure consistency and inclusion in the delivery and management of the approved projects; and
- WHEREAS, the Board wishes to provide general guidance regarding the Department's selection and determination of whether projects should be designed and constructed by the Department, or by the local government or governments in the area of any specific project; and
- WHEREAS, The Department currently has a Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE") program which is applicable to any federally aided projects that are undertaken by the Department which helps promote the participation of disadvantaged businesses in federally funded projects; and
- WHEREAS, it is the Board's desires to encourage and promote the participation of groups such as small businesses, DBE's (including minority and woman owned businesses), and veteran owned businesses, in projects funded by TIA.
- WHEREAS, it is the Board's desire that the selection of contractors and consultants for the projects is done in a non-discriminatory manner and that the Department takes measures to prevent discrimination in the delivery and management of TIA funded projects.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Georgia Department of Transportation, acting by and through its Board, understands that the local governments of the State of Georgia are of vital importance to the state and its citizens and will give due consideration to local governments that wish to deliver projects from the approved project list.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Georgia Department of Transportation, acting by and through its Board shall ensure that the Department, and each recipient of

funds pursuant to TIA, reaffirms its commitment to Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act of nondiscrimination in the delivery and management of TIA funded projects.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Georgia Department of Transportation, acting by and through its Board shall, wherever practical and feasible, encourage the use of DBE's (including minority and woman owned businesses), small businesses, and veteran owned businesses in any project that is funded in whole or in part by TIA funds, and encourages wherever practical and feasible, the local government or governments that manage TIA funded projects to include the same in its delivery and management of a project.

Adopted by the State Transportation Board this 17th day of May, 2012.

Approved:

Keith Golden, Commissioner

Georgia Department of Transportation

Rudy Bowen, Chairman

State Transportation Board

Attest:

Elizabeth Osmon, Secretary State Transportation Board