## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE I-81 EXIT 245 IMPROVEMENTS

At a regularly scheduled meeting of the Harrisonburg City Council held on Tuesday September 8, 2015, on a motion by <u>Council Member Byrd</u>, seconded by <u>Council Member Degree</u> the following resolution was adopted by a vote of <u>5</u> to <u>0</u>:

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia has now adopted a project prioritization program under House Bill 2 (HB2) whereby transportation projects are selected for funding based on the cost effectiveness of those projects to meet performance goals; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF HARRISONBURG CITY COUNCIL desires to submit an application for an allocation of funds for the I-81 Exit 245 Improvements under the HB2 prioritization program; and

WHEREAS, I-81 is identified in the VTRANS 2040 Needs Assessment as a Corridor of Statewide Significance; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF HARRISONBURG CITY COUNCIL understands this project to include the reconfiguration of the I-81 northbound off ramp onto Port Republic Road to align with the intersection of Port Republic Road and Forest Hills Road; and

WHEREAS, the Harrisonburg Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization just completed and approved a study which evaluated improvements at I-81 Exits 245 & 247 and which recommended similar improvements as features in the preferred alternative at this interchange;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The HARRISONBURG CITY COUNCIL hereby supports this application for the improvements described to compete state and federal funding under the HB2 program.

ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2015.

Christopher B Jones, Mayor

ATTESJ:

Brica S. Kann, City Clerk