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2015R- 118  
**RESOLUTION**  
**of the**  
**CITY OF**  
**MINNEAPOLIS**  
By Glidden

**Supporting dedicated state funding for multi-modal transportation and city streets.**

Whereas, Minnesota contains over 141,000 miles of roadway, and over 19,000 miles—or 13 percent—are owned and maintained by Minnesota's 853 cities; and

Whereas, new and sustainable funding for multi-modal transportation including bus, rail, streetcar, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, roads, and bridges is necessary to meet both the capital and operational needs of the expanding state transit and transportation systems; and

Whereas, over 80 percent of municipal streets are ineligible for dedicated Highway User Tax Distribution Fund dollars; and

Whereas, the more than 700 Minnesota cities with populations below 5,000 are ineligible for dedicated Highway User Tax Distribution Fund dollars; and

Whereas, city streets are a separate but integral piece of the network of roads supporting movement of people and goods; and

Whereas, existing funding mechanisms, such as Municipal State Aid (MSA), property taxes and special assessments, have limited applications, leaving cities under-equipped to address growing needs; and

Whereas, city cost participation in state and county highway projects diverts resources from city-owned streets; and

Whereas, maintenance costs increase as road systems age, and no city—large or small—is spending enough on roadway capital improvements to maintain a 50-year lifecycle; and

Whereas, for every one dollar spent on maintenance, a road authority—and therefore taxpayers—save seven dollars in repairs; and

Whereas, cities need greater resources, including an additional dedicated state funding source for transportation, and flexible policies in order to meet growing demands for street improvements and maintenance;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That this Council supports an omnibus transportation funding bill that provides dedicated state funds for non-MSA city street maintenance, construction and reconstruction.

Certified as an official action of the City Council: 

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE (X INDICATES VOTE)													
COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	VOTE TO OVERRIDE	VOTE TO SUSTAIN	COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	VOTE TO OVERRIDE	VOTE TO SUSTAIN
Reich	X						Glidden	X					
Gordon	X						Cano	X					
Frey	X						Bender	X					
B Johnson	X						Quincy	X					
Yang	X						A Johnson	X					
Warsame	X						Palmisano	X					
Goodman	X												

ADOPTED MAR 20 2015  
DATE

ATTEST   
CITY CLERK

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 MAR 24 2015  
MAYOR HODGES DATE