

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GASTON URBAN AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF
EVALUATION AND REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA
TRANSPORTATION EQUITY FORMULA**

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Legislature implemented a transportation equity formula over 20 years ago as a part of the 1989 Highway Trust Fund Law; and

WHEREAS, significant portions of the highway system envisioned in 1989 have not been completed and North Carolina has change dramatically over these decades; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation anticipates \$64 billion in unmet transportation needs through 2030; and

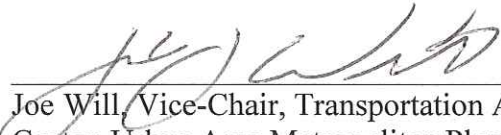
WHEREAS, the transportation equity formula makes it more difficult to fund projects designed to address actual needs based on existing traffic and congestion; and

WHEREAS, the transportation equity formula also penalizes areas with interstates running through them by requiring that the costs of improvements to these critical transportation corridors be covered in the allocations for those respective regions; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation is developing a new objective multi-modal project prioritization process intended to maximize mobility, safety, and infrastructure health; and

WHEREAS, the transportation equity formula does not consider any of these factors in distributing transportation funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT members of the Gaston Urban Area MPO urges the North Carolina Department of Transportation and the North Carolina General Assembly to reevaluate and modify the transportation equity formula to better meet the current needs of North Carolina citizens, businesses, and travelers.



Joe Will, Vice-Chair, Transportation Advisory Committee
Gaston Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

ATTESTED:

James H. Graham, Jr.
James H. Graham, Jr. AICP, Principal Transportation Planner
Gaston Urban Area MPO Coordinator

Resolution adopted upon a motion of Mr. Worley, seconded
by Dr. Kirlin, by a vote of the majority of the Gaston Urban Area
Transportation Advisory Committee.

North Carolina
Gaston County

I, **Candice G. Owenby**, a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that **Joe Will** personally appeared before me on this the 23rd day of March, 2010, and acknowledge the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal, this the 23rd day of March, 2010.

Candice G. Owenby
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Notary Public

My Commission Expires May 27, 2011