

**RESOLUTION NO. 5382**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD TO APPROVE AND SUPPORT PROPOSITION 69 ON THE JUNE 2018 BALLOT TO PRESERVE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING AND OPPOSING EFFORTS TO REPEAL THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 (SB 1)**

**WHEREAS**, California's cities, counties and transportation agencies face a statewide backlog of over \$130 billion in needed funds to make transportation infrastructure improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, "The Road Repair and Accountability Act" (SB 1 – Beall) passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor last year will raise \$5 billion annually in long-term, dedicated transportation funding to make road safety improvements, fill potholes and repair local streets, highways, bridges and overpasses, with the revenues split equally between state and local government projects; and

**WHEREAS**, SB 1 provides critically-needed funding in City of Soledad that will be used for:

- (Front Street, West Street and Metz Road Street Maintenance); and

**WHEREAS**, SB 1 contains strong accountability provisions to streamline projects by cutting bureaucratic redundancies and red tape to ensure transportation funds are spent efficiently and effectively, while also establishing the independent office of Transportation Inspector General to perform audits, improve efficiency and increase transparency; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 69 on the June 2018 ballot would add additional accountability for taxpayers by preventing the State Legislature from diverting or raiding any new transportation revenues for non-transportation improvement purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, there is also a proposed ballot measure aimed for the November 2018 ballot (Attorney General #17-0033) that would repeal the new transportation revenues provided by SB 1 and make it more difficult to increase funding for state and local transportation improvements in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposed November proposition would raid \$462,468 annually dedicated to City of Soledad and halt critical investments in future transportation improvement projects in our community;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Soledad hereby supports Proposition 69, the June 2018 constitutional amendment to prevent new transportation funds from being diverted for non-transportation purposes; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Soledad hereby opposes the proposed November ballot proposition (Attorney General #17-0033) that would repeal the new

transportation funds and make it more difficult to raise state and local transportation funds in the future; and

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Soledad supports and can be listed as a member of the Coalition to Protect Local Transportation Improvements, a diverse coalition of local government, business, labor, transportation and other organizations throughout the state, in support of Proposition 69 and opposing the repeal of SB 1.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Soledad at a regular meeting duly held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018, by the following vote:

**AYES**, and in favor thereof, Councilmembers: Christopher Bourke, Mayor Pro Tem Alejandro Chavez, Carla Stewart and Mayor Fred Ledesma

NOES, Councilmembers: None

ABSENT, Councilmembers: Velazquez

ABSTAIN, Councilmembers: None



FRED J. LEDESMA, Mayor

ATTEST:



MICHAEL McHATTEN, City Clerk