## RESOLUTION TO REQUEST REPRESENTATIVE PALAZZO TO CO-SPONSOR LEGISLATION DESIGNATING THE I-14 CORRIDOR TO RUN TO AND THROUGH JONES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

**WHEREAS,** Interstate 14 is under construction in Texas, and officially opened on January 26, 2017 near Killeen, Texas;

**WHEREAS,** the community of Natchez, Mississippi and communities in Louisiana are taking action to make an extension of I-14 a reality in their jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, if extended to Laurel, Mississippi, I-14 would run along US Highway 84;

WHEREAS, I-14 will connect a significant number of military installations, seaports, major cities and large highways to each other, and Laurel, Mississippi should share in this significant extension and would greatly benefit both economically and socially therefrom;

WHEREAS, the Laurel City Council desires that Representative Stephen Palazzo support the extension of I-14 to and through Jones County, Mississippi and take any appropriate legislative action concerning this highway extension including, but not limited, to cosponsoring said legislation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel understands that if Representative Palazzo does not cosponsor or otherwise support this legislation that the I-14 Corridor will terminate prior to reaching Jones County, Mississippi and, therefore, cause loss of a very significant economic benefit to the communities of Laurel and Jones County, Mississippi for decades in the future.

**NOW THEREFORE,** the City Council of Laurel, Mississippi hereby resolves that the Mayor shall deliver this Resolution to Representative Palazzo which documents its strong request that Representative Palazzo support the extension of I-14 to and through Jones County, Mississippi and that he take any appropriate action concerning this highway extension including, but not limited to, co-sponsoring legislation in support of the extension of I-14 to and through Jones County, Mississippi.

**SO RESOLVED** this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.

Motion was introduced by <u>Councilperson S. Comegys</u>, seconded by <u>Councilperson T.</u> <u>Comegys</u>, that the foregoing Resolution be adopted.

Upon roll call vote, the result was as follows:

YEAS: Capers, Wheat, Thaxton, Carmichael, S. Comegys, T. Comegys, Page

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The Motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present and voting, the President thereupon declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2019.

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Attested and Submitted to the Mayor by the Clerk of the Council on \_\_\_\_\_

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

APPROVED ( ) DATE \_\_\_\_\_

VETOED ( ) DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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