



## **Resolution of Support For a Comprehensive Transportation Solution**

**WHEREAS**, Metropolitan Council of Chambers of Commerce is a consortium of Chambers of Commerce throughout the Twin Cities metropolitan area with a combined membership of more than 10,000 businesses. Our members are employers who hire thousands of people from across our region, purchase goods and services from companies in the area, and work in collaboration to ensure our regional economy is strong and vibrant.

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Council of Chambers of Commerce is an advocate for businesses in the Twin Cities Metro region;

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Council of Chambers of Commerce is supportive of a comprehensive, multi modal transportation system;

**WHEREAS**, the business community understands the importance of a robust regional transit system to help create and maintain a competitive region and business environment;

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Metropolitan Council of Chambers of Commerce are actively engaged in the development of their communities and the retention of their local businesses;

**WHEREAS**, an effective and efficient transportation system is essential for workforce mobility in the region as well as the attraction and retention of workers to the region;

**WHEREAS**, the Twin Cities metro area transportation system will serve businesses and communities for decades to come;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Metropolitan Council of Chambers of Commerce supports investment to maintain a robust regular route bus system in the metro area; supports metro counties having the same local option sales tax authority for transportation investment that Minnesota's other counties have; and opposes legislative efforts that seek to constrain the ability of the metro counties to continue the build out the metro transportation systems.

**ADOPTED** by the Metropolitan Council of Chambers of Commerce this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.

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