RESOLUTION 94-39

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSAL BY THE FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR THE OWNERSHIP TRANSFERRAL OF A NUMBER OF ROADWAYS FROM THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM TO COUNTY ROADWAY SYSTEMS AS ESTABLISHED BY THE CENTER FOR URBAN TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH IN THE FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION STUDY: FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED REVISED ROADWAY OWNERSHIP CRITERIA.

WHEREAS, The Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR), pursuant to the directions of the Florida Legislature as espoused in S.B. 1316 of the 1990 session, has developed proposed criteria for determining State roads: and

WHEREAS, these criteria, originally scheduled for presentation to the Governor and Legislature in December 1993, are now tentatively scheduled for presentation prior to the 1995 Legislative session; and

WHEREAS, the proposed criteria proposed for recommendation to the Florida Legislature results in a total of 268.52 centerline miles of roadway on the State Highway System in the Northeast Florida Region being transferred to local governments, with a total of 6.2 centerline miles of local roadways being transferred to the State Highway system; and,

WHEREAS, there has been no clear proposal for a continuous and sufficient revenue source to local governments from the State to compensate local governments for maintenance and improvements of roads to be transferred; and

WHEREAS, the fiscal impacts of transferring those roadways to local governments in Northeast Florida based on the proposed criteria would be immense, with the possibility for funding for needed improvements far exceeding the financial resources available to local government, absent a continuous and sufficient funding source; and,

WHEREAS, the full fiscal impacts of the proposal to local governments may not be adequately addressed in the CUTR report; and

WHEREAS, the proposal to transfer State roadways to local government with no set level of funding is clearly an example of an unfunded State mandate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioner of Nassau County, for the reasons stated in this Resolution, unanimously opposes the criteria proposed by the Center for Urban Transportation Research for transferring roadways on the State Highway System and the resulting proposal to transfer roadways from the State Highway System to local governments absent

the identification of an adequate and continuous funding source to compensate local governments for this transferral.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County believes that any proposal to transfer roadways from the State Highway System of a State mandate without funding and, as such, is a violation of State law.

Unanimously adopted by the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners in regular meeting, assembled in the Town of Yulee, Florida the $10 \, \mathrm{th}$ day of January, 1994.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

JOHN /CRAWFORD Its: Chairman

ATTEST:

T. J. GRZESON

Its: Zx-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the

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