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OFFICE OF THE
MAYOR
CITY OF SAN LUIS

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN LUIS, ARIZONA,
EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE ELIMINATION OF ROAD FUNDING
PREVIOUSLY DEDICATED TO YUMA COUNTY THROUGH THE ARIZONA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DIVERTING THE FUNDING TO OTHER
ARIZONA JURISDICTIONS

Whereas, the City of San Luis has great interest and concern regarding all modes of transportation that are to be constructed within its city limits and the surrounding areas; and,

Whereas, the construction of the Fortuna Wash Bridge (U.S. 95 Avenue 9E to Aberdeen project) is critical to the Yuma Proving Ground (YPG) as there is currently no uninterrupted all-weather roadway access to YPG and the General Motors Desert Proving Ground; and

Whereas, the City of San Luis is in support of the U.S. Highway 95 project to help protect the Yuma Proving Ground and Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS-Yuma) in the next round of the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) as well as protecting the local and state economies; and,

Whereas, the State Transportation Board has previously passed a resolution of support designating U.S. Highway 95 from a new commercial port of entry, San Luis II, to its intersection with Interstate 40 as a portion of the CANAMEX Corridor to facilitate the national and transnational movement of goods, services, people and information; and,

Whereas, the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) through the 2012-2016 Tentative Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program has proposed to eliminate \$20 million for roadway construction of the U.S. Highway 95 project for the construction of Fortuna Wash Bridge and Avenue 11E intersection and widening of the roadway for fiscal year 2012 and 2013; and,

Whereas, ADOT is proposing to divert \$20 million in funding to other jurisdictions of Arizona which is counter productive as delaying or eliminating the project will likely impact the Yuma Proving Grounds which provides over 3,500 jobs to Arizona workers; and,

Whereas, ADOT is further proposing to divert \$5 million in state road construction funding from fiscal year 2013 from the San Luis II Port of Entry; and,

Whereas, continued commerce between US and Mexico through the San Luis II Port of Entry is vital to the San Luis and Greater Yuma County area to assist in maintaining and growing retail and commercial jobs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of San Luis as follows:

Section 1: That the City Council of the City of San Luis opposes the elimination of funding by ADOT for the Reconstruction of the Fortuna Wash Bridge (U.S. Highway 95 project) through the 2012-2016 Tentative Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program, or any delay of the U.S. Highway 95 project by moving the project to an out year or beyond what is currently shown in the published 2012-2016 Tentative Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program dated January 20, 2011.

Section 2: That the City Council of the City of San Luis opposes the elimination of funding by ADOT for the San Luis II Port of Entry through the 2012-2016 Tentative Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program, or any delay of the San Luis II Port of Entry by moving the project to an out year or beyond what currently shown in the published 2012-2016 Tentative Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program dated January 20, 2011.

Adopted this 23rd day of March, 2011.

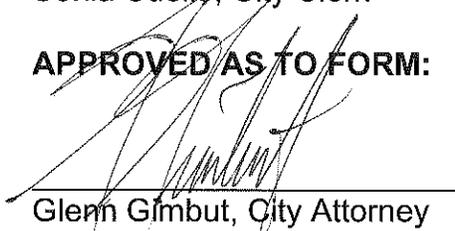

Juan Carlos Escamilla, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sonia Cuello, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Glenn Gimbut, City Attorney