

RESOLUTION NO. 178-50

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA IN
SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 69, PREVENTING DIVERSION OF TRANSPORTATION
FUNDS, AND OPPOSING THE REPEAL OF SB 1, THAT PROVIDES TRANSIT FUNDING
FOR THE CITY OF ARCATA**

WHEREAS, California's cities, counties and transportation agencies face a statewide backlog of over \$130 billion in need of 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 the City of Arcata that will be used for:

- Rehabilitation of Existing Local City Streets (fixing potholes and Asphalt Concrete (AC) overlay)
- Road Safety Improvements
- Bike and Pedestrian Improvements; 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 approximately \$300,000 or more annually dedicated to City of Arcata, and halt critical investments in future transportation improvement projects in our community.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Arcata 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

FURTHERMORE, the City of Arcata 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.

DATED: March 21, 2018

ATTEST:

Bridget Dory

City Clerk, City of Arcata

APPROVED:

SJP

Mayor, City of Arcata

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 178-50, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Arcata, Humboldt County, California, held on the 21st day of March, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: PEREIRA, WATSON, ORNELAS, PITINO, WINKLER

NOES: **NONE**

ABSENT: **NONE**

ABSTENTIONS: **NONE**

Bridget Dory

City Clerk, City of Arcata