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Ms Virginia Delegal
Executive Director
Florida Association of Counties
100 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Dear Ms Delegal:

At the General Membership Meeting in June 2018, FACERS again adopted the attached resolution requesting that the Florida Association of Counties include the indexing of the motor fuel taxes as a priority during the upcoming legislative session.

FACERS appreciates your support for this issue and looks forward to working with your staff on this and other issues during the coming months.

Sincerely,

R. Shane Parker, P.E.
FACERS President

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES SEEK LEGISLATION TO INDEX THE MOTOR FUEL TAXES COLLECTED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS, motor fuel taxes are the principal source of funding for the construction, maintenance and operation of the transportation systems in most local agencies of Florida,

WHEREAS, motor fuel taxes are based on a fixed "pennies per gallon",

WHEREAS, the cost of constructing, maintaining and operating the transportation system continues to increase annually as indicated by increases in the Consumer Price Index,

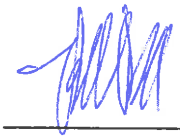
WHEREAS, the effect of this annual increase in costs of goods and services without a corresponding adjustment to the motor fuel tax rate results in a reduction in buying power of the motor fuel tax revenues,

WHEREAS, deficiencies in the local transportation system will continue to worsen as the buying power of motor fuel tax revenues declines,

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has indexed the motor fuel taxes for the State Transportation Trust Fund, allowing for annual adjustments in accordance with changes in the Consumer Price Index,

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature did not provide for such adjustments to the motor fuel taxes for local governments,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Florida Association of County Engineers and Road Superintendents (FACERS) recommends to the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) that FAC seek legislation to apply the indexing procedure used for the State Transportation Trust Fund to motor fuel taxes for local government to keep the purchasing power of the local motor fuel taxes from continuing to decline.



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