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HR 1001

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

TO EXPRESS SUPPORT OF THE FEDERAL DESIGNATION OF U.S.
ROUTE 67 AS "FUTURE INTERSTATE 57".

Subtitle

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INTERSTATE 57".

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

WHEREAS, the United States Senate Committee on Appropriations approved the Fiscal Year 2017 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill which contains language added by United States Senator John Boozman that designates U.S. Route 67 as "Future Interstate 57"; and

WHEREAS, the bill also allows that any segment of U.S. Route 67 built to interstate standards may be officially added to the federal interstate system as "Interstate 57"; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Route 67 from U.S. Route 412 in Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, to Interstate 40 in North Little Rock, Arkansas, covering approximately one hundred twenty-two (122) miles, was built according to interstate standards, and is oriented to connect with existing Interstate 57 in southeast Missouri; and



WHEREAS, currently, Interstate 57 extends from Chicago, Illinois, to Sikeston, Missouri, covering three hundred eighty-five (385) miles. Adding the proposed section of U.S. Route 67 to Interstate 57 will create a direct interstate connection from Little Rock, Arkansas to Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, when complete, Interstate 57 will improve the State of Arkansas's transportation network and alleviate traffic congestion on other parts of the interstate system; and

WHEREAS, Interstate 57 will create new economic opportunities for the state and give existing companies in the state access to national and global markets,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives support the federal designation of U.S. Route 67 as "Future Interstate 57" and the commitment to build future interstates in the State of Arkansas to further connect the state with the rest of the country.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon its adoption a copy of this resolution be presented to United States Senator John Boozman.