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HOUSE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE EXPANSION OF UNITED STATES ROUTE 49
NORTH-SOUTH CORRIDOR TO IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY AND
CREATE ECONOMIC PROSPERITY.

Subtitle

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WHEREAS, Arkansas is richly endowed with natural resources and provides limitless opportunities for both commercial and recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, the overall economic viability of the state has been directly impacted by the state and federal commitment to provide accessibility to specific areas with improved roads and highways; and

WHEREAS, in contrast, while the western part of Arkansas extending from Fort Smith to Texarkana has much to offer, many of the communities in that area are experiencing a decline in economic prosperity that threatens to make those communities irrelevant as business and tourist destinations as a direct



result of the limited commercial and recreational traffic through the area;
and

WHEREAS, improving road and highway accessibility to the western part of the state by expanding the United States Route 49 north-south corridor will not only serve to create economic prosperity for the Arkansas communities that extend along the corridor, but also will contribute to the overall economic prosperity of the entire state,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives recognize the need for expansion of the United States Route 49 north-south corridor and encourage the United States Government to fund a project to provide accessibility to and create economic prosperity for the Arkansas communities extending along the corridor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate copy shall be provided to the Arkansas congressional delegation by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.