RESOLUTION ON REQUESTING THE INCLUSION OF THE MPO'S PROPOSED UPDATES TO THE 2020 UNIFIED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR COLLIN COUNTY

- WHEREAS, Collin County's transportation system is heavily dependent on the Texas Highway System for adequate mobility; and
- WHEREAS, over the decades, Collin County has partnered with the Texas Transportation Commission ("Commission") and the Texas Department of Transportation ("TxDOT") to advance major transportation projects in Collin County and North Texas; and
- WHEREAS, to accelerate the funding and construction of needed major highway projects in Collin County, the parties authorized the construction of toll roads in place of non-tolled state highways, to the financial benefit of TxDOT; and
- WHEREAS, Collin County has been working cooperatively with TxDOT for the last several years to develop critical new major highway corridors to address the high rate of growth that is occurring in Collin County; and
- WHEREAS, Collin County citizens have agreed to once again be a solid partner with TxDOT by approving a bond program in 2018 that will provide \$600,000,000 over the next five years for the development of critical new highway corridors with TxDOT; and
- WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the North Texas region allocated \$600,000,000 for construction of these new highways in the MPOs Ten-Year Plan, and the funding for the MPO's allocations depends on the Commission's inclusion of these projects in the Commission's UTP; and
- WHEREAS, the Commission is scheduled to take action on the proposed changes to the 2020 UTP at its regular meeting on April 30, 2020;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COLLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT:
 - Section 1. requests that the funds shown in the North Texas MPO's Ten Year Plan for construction of major additional highways in Collin County be included in the 2020 Unified Transportation Program;
 - Section 2: directs the Resolution to be transmitted to the members of the Texas Transportation Commission, the members of the North Texas legislative delegation and other interested stakeholders;
 - Section 3. that this Resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.