



**Resolution opposing HB 635 or any legislation changing  
the current transportation funding equity formula**

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly created the Equity Formula for distribution of transportation dollars in 1989 as part of the creation of the Highway Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Equity Formula applies only to Highway Trust Fund revenues for the intrastate highway system, secondary road improvement and Powell Bill funds for municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Equity Formula has been a fair and reasonable way to share limited transportation resources across North Carolina's 14 Highway Divisions for over twenty years; and

WHEREAS, metropolitan highway divisions already receive more money through the Equity Formula than rural divisions because half of the money is allocated per capita; and

WHEREAS, metropolitan divisions also receive additional transportation resources apart from those distributed through the Equity Formula, including Urban Loop Funds, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Compliance funds; and

WHEREAS, proposed legislation that would change the Equity Formula to place more emphasis on population and less on intrastate road improvements will tend to harm the rural Highway Divisions; and

WHEREAS, Eastern North Carolina lags behind in transportation resources and continues to have significant unmet transportation needs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Nags Head Board of Commissioners strongly opposes HB 635 or any other legislation that would change the Equity Formula to shift money from the rural Highway Divisions to the metropolitan Highway Divisions.

This the 1st day of June, 2011.

Robert O. Oakes, Jr., Mayor  
Town of Nags Head

ATTEST:

  
Carolyn F. Morris, Town Clerk