WHEREAS, Gregory C. Johnson, P.E., has been a highly trusted leader at the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for 25 years, beginning his career in 1989 as a staff engineer in the Southwest Region and after serving as a resident engineer for six years, Johnson was named manager of the Kalamazoo Transportation Service Center before being promoted to Deputy Metro Region Engineer in 2002 and later to Metro Region Engineer in 2003; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed Chief Operations Officer (COO) on February 22, 2009, directing MDOT’s seven regions, Bureau of Development, Bureau of Field Services, Office of Operations Administrative Services, and Office of Business Development where his leadership and ability to manage complex projects effectively and efficiently has been proven many times; and

WHEREAS, he has been involved in most aspects of public transportation throughout his career, including highways, nonmotorized transportation, and public transit, in addition to being a staunch advocate for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises throughout his career by participating in local, statewide, and national forums; and

WHEREAS, he has assumed a critical leadership role in setting and carrying out an agenda of safety, innovation, and excellent customer service within MDOT, encompassing initiatives such as e-Project, Dispute Resolution Boards, Enhanced Partnering, Alternate Project Delivery, Towards Zero Deaths, and Active Traffic Management have flourished during his tenure as COO; and

WHEREAS, he has represented MDOT on numerous statewide and national boards and committees, including the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials, National Operations Center of Excellence, Standing Committee on Highways, Standing Committee on Research, Canadian Chief Engineers’ Council, and Ferris State University Construction Industry Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, he began a youth development and mentoring program at MDOT to expose high school and college students to transportation professions while they seek relevant degrees and earn money at the same time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Transportation Commission, on behalf of the people of Michigan, does hereby both acknowledge the many valuable contributions made by Mr. Gregory C. Johnson to promote quality government in our state, particularly in the field of transportation, and wish him all the best in the years ahead.

Adopted by the Michigan State Transportation Commission on July 23, 2015.

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Jerrold M. Jung, Chairman
Michigan State Transportation Commission