

A RESOLUTION HONORING ~ROBERT G. "BOB" BURLESON~

WHEREAS, Robert G. "Bob" Burleson, President of the Florida Transportation Builders Association (FTBA), has served for four decades as a tireless leader in championing the construction and sustainability of Florida's transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, he is highly respected in both the state and national arenas as an extremely effective advocate for the transportation industry; and

WHEREAS, Bob has been a major force in persuading the state and national governments to increase funding in support of Florida's transportation infrastructure and for making the case that investments in transportation are directly linked to Florida's economic prosperity and continuing high quality of life; and

WHEREAS, his efforts have helped to foster phenomenal growth in the Florida Department of Transportation work program, and through a partnership with the FTBA, the Department was able to implement and effectively execute the largest expansion of transportation construction projects in its history; and

WHEREAS, Bob has been recognized in Florida and nationally for his contributions to the transportation industry as the recipient of numerous awards, including:

The prestigious ARTBA Award in 1986;

The Golden Eagle Award by Floridians for Better Transportation in 1997; and most recently, The Center for Urban Transportation Research Transportation Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, in August 2008, he received a man's greatest honor – the unequivocal respect of his children - when his sons established a legacy to honor their father through the *Bob Burleson Presidential Scholarship*, within the FTBA Scholarship program, which will foster the development of future generations of transportation professionals and advocates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Florida Transportation Commission declares its deep and sincere appreciation to Robert G. "Bob" Burleson for his service, dedication and commitment to the people of Florida through the development and sustainability of the State of Florida's transportation infrastructure and wishes him well on all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be entered into the records of the Florida Transportation Commission and that a copy be delivered to Bob as a token of the Commission's high regard and warm appreciation as stated herein.

Signed this 6th day of November, 2008.

Marcos Marchena, Chairman

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