

Rep. Smiley offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 169.

A resolution to memorialize Congress and the U.S. Department of Transportation to approve a grant for the Dort Highway Connector Project in Genesee County under the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery discretionary grant program.

Whereas, The Dort Highway Connector project is a critical improvement that will facilitate transportation patterns within the Grand Blanc region, as well as assist in the development of the Genesys Health Park Campus. It will have a significant impact on the Grand Blanc and Genesee County areas, as well as the larger Mid-Michigan region, by providing a critical link in our transportation system. The project represents a significant and positive collaboration between Genesee County, the city of Grand Blanc, Grand Blanc Township, Genesys Health System, and Ascension Health, the parent company to Genesys; and

Whereas, It is estimated that full realization of this project will assist in providing needed infrastructure and economic impact through the anticipated creation of between 4,000 and 6,000 jobs in the region over the next ten years. Furthermore, the Dort Highway Connector project will enhance the livability and economy of the Genesee County area for a wide number of multi-modal transportation users; and

Whereas, The Dort Highway Connector project meets the selection criteria of the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER III) discretionary grant program. It achieves job generation and economic stimulus in both the short and long term. Genesee County has been innovative in working with local business and industry, as well as government partners in the region, to improve transportation and economic development in the region; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we memorialize Congress and the U.S. Department of Transportation to approve a grant for the Dort Highway Connector Project in Genesee County under the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery discretionary grant program; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the members of the Michigan congressional delegation, and the U.S. Department of Transportation.