



CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

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SUBJECT: Proclamation: National Transportation Week – “One Nation on the Move”

Background:

- In 1962, then President John F. Kennedy designated this special week in the U.S. to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of transportation professionals who keep America moving and share with the public the achievements and challenges facing the transportation industry. National Transportation Week cuts across modes, the public and private sectors and regions of the country.
- National Transportation Week is working with the National Defense Transportation Association and the Detroit Metro Convention and Visitors Bureau on special events to take place in the Detroit area for NTW. Detroit is an ideal spot to host NTW events, given the region's significance in transportation.
- The Michigan Department of Transportation and Intelligent Transportation Society (ITS) of Michigan have partnered to host an annual meeting to present and discuss ITS issues, plans and concepts May 16-17 as a part of NTW. The City of Troy is a member of ITS Michigan and is represented on their Board of Directors.
- Since its beginning, transportation infrastructure has transformed the American landscape into a sophisticated network of metropolitan communities. It fuels the world's strongest and fastest growing economy, and continues to offer countless other benefits. Each year, America's transportation system – from the roads to the skies, rails and ports – helps travelers reach their destinations and carries billion of tons of freight worth trillions of dollars in economic stimulus. In addition, the transportation system plays a critical role in deploying and sustaining our troops and their equipment around the world. Transportation is synonymous with opportunity in America – connecting workers with jobs, products with markets, and families with each other. Throughout our history, advances in transportation have been at the forefront of progress.

Financial Considerations:

- There are no financial considerations associated with this item.

Legal Considerations:

- There are no legal considerations associated with this item.

Policy Considerations:

- There are no policy considerations associated with this item.

Options:

- It is recommended that Council designate the week of May 13-19, 2007 as National Transportation Week.



PROCLAMATION
National Transportation Week – “One Nation on the Move”
May 13-19, 2007

WHEREAS, May 13-19, 2007 marks the observance of the seventy-fifth annual National Transportation Week, with the theme of “One Nation on the Move;” and

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WHEREAS this week focuses on raising public awareness of the importance of transportation, the benefits it brings to each and every person, as well as the future opportunities and challenges we face. Whether someone operates a car or rides on a bus, plan or train, every person in America is served by transportation; and

THEREFORE, City Council of the City of Troy, does hereby proclaim May 13-19 as National Transportation Week. We urge reflection on how transportation positively impacts today’s society.