## RESOLUTION NO. 7975

## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING INTERSTATE 11 AND FUTURE NORTH-SOUTH EXTENSION THROUGH THE CITIES OF RENO AND SPARKS IN WASHOE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Interstate 11 (I-11) is intended to be a new high-capacity, multimodal transportation corridor connecting the metropolitan areas of Las Vegas, Nevada and Phoenix, Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the new Interstate has the potential to become a major north-south transcontinental corridor through the United States Intermountain West from Mexico to Canada; and

WHEREAS, for study purposes, the corridor is divided in five segments; three high priority segments between (and including) the Las Vegas and Phoenix metro areas, and two high-level visioning segments for possible future extensions from Las Vegas to Canada, and from Phoenix to Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, the Nevada Department of Transportation is examining future connectivity north of Las Vegas through the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reno strongly supports the connectivity of Interstate 11 from Las Vegas to the Cities of Reno and Sparks in Washoe County; and

WHEREAS, connectivity of a nation's interstate system with a north and south connection will supplement and strengthen existing surface routes, relieve traffic and freight congestion, and enhance existing access points such as a major international airport and railroad facilities; and

WHEREAS, I-11 through Reno and Sparks will serve to support the region's many warehousing and distribution companies that depend on convenient and reliable delivery of packages, parcels and mail for subsequent delivery domestically and abroad; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Reno to support the north-south connectivity of Interstate 11 through the cities of Reno and Sparks in Washoe County, and urges the state and Nevada's congressional delegation to advocate for this critical connection.

Upon motion by Council Member  $\underline{Zadra}$ , seconded by Council Member  $\underline{Jardon}$ , the foregoing resolution was adopted this  $\underline{28^{th}}$  day of  $\underline{May}$ , 2014, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES:	Zadra, Jardon, Delgado, Dortch, Cashe	:11	
NAYS:	Brekhus		
ABSTAIN:	None	ABSENT:	Schieve
APPR ATTEST:  MMU LYNNETTE F CITY CLERK	Holdenes & S	THE RENO RATE *	A. CASHELL, SR., MAYOR