END OF SESSION STATEMENT ON 2017 ROAD FUNDING LEGISLATION

The Association of Indiana Counties is thrilled that the Indiana General Assembly is poised to pass the largest investment in local roads and bridges in state history. Indiana’s county officials worked diligently to provide data that firmly established the need for increased funding of local infrastructure at $775M per year, and we thank the Indiana General Assembly for their hard work to make sure that HB 1002 covers the state’s portion of that need. House Bill 1002 also modernizes the user fee mechanisms in Indiana by collecting a representative use fee from both electric and hybrid cars that mirror the average gas tax collection from passenger cars.

Local road funding will always be a partnership of investment from both state and local government, but this legislation marks the culmination of an enormous effort to research, quantify, and ultimately address the state’s share of that partnership. We thank the Indiana General Assembly for working with AIC over the last three years on a data driven process that will ultimately provide this long term and sustainable road funding solution.

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