RESOLUTION NO. 2017-6

RESOLUTION BY THE PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
SUPPORTING THE RESTORATION OF FUNDING TO COMPLETE THE
RECONSTRUCTION OF INTERSTATE 94 THROUGH RACINE COUNTY

To the Honorable members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

WHEREAS, the Interstate 94 corridor is a vital roadway through Racine County
serving both residents and visitors to our community and provides significant opportunities
for economic development along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, Interstate 94 was first built over 50 years ago and has been resurfaced
three times with the most recent reconstruction and widening of Interstate 94 North-South
between the Mitchell Interchange in Milwaukee County and the Illinois state line occurring
in 2008 and continuing into 2013; and

WHEREAS, the reconstruction and widening of Interstate 94 has been mostly
completed in Milwaukee and Kenosha Counties but the completion of the Interstate 94
project through Racine County, although originally scheduled to be completed in 2015, has
not been completed; and

WHEREAS, Interstate 94 through Racine County has not been reconstructed or
widened despite the plans for its reconstruction were finalized in 2008 and the roadway is
clearly past the end of its useful life; and

WHEREAS, there has been tremendous economic and population growth along the
reconstructed and widened Interstate in Milwaukee and Kenosha Counties but Racine
County has missed out on this significant population growth and economic development
due to the condition of the deteriorated Interstate; and

WHEREAS, the traffic volume and patterns, along with the deterioration of the road
due to the failure to complete the expansion of Interstate 94 in Racine County, results in
dangerous conditions for drivers, residents, repair workers and law enforcement personnel
on the Interstate; and

WHEREAS, funding to complete the Interstate 94 project in Racine County must be
restored and the project completed to eliminate the dangerous conditions that currently
exist on the roadway; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Racine County urges the State of
Wisconsin to restore funding and restart the I-94 construction project through Racine
County in the 2017-2018 state budget and further urges the State to consider all funding
options, including but not limited to, tolling, gas tax or registration fees or any other
innovative or creative ways to ensure funding for the project.
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BOARD ACTION
Adopted  yes
For  18
Against  0
Absent  3

VOTE REQUIRED: Majority
Roll Call

Prepared by:
Corporation Counsel

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES
COMMITTEE

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The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of
Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:
Approved: ___
Vetoed: ___

Date: ________________

Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive