

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Recognizing the Existence of an Emergency

WHEREAS the Commission has adopted Resolution No. 57 in 1955 authorizing the executive director, with the concurrence of the consulting engineer of the project, to enter into any contract or contracts, or to take whatever other action is necessary in the best interest of the Commission, notwithstanding any limitation imposed upon the authority of the executive director under any resolution theretofore adopted when an emergency exists, and the authority of the executive director to enter into contracts on behalf of the Commission in emergencies has been recognized throughout the Commission's operation;

WHEREAS a tanker truck transporting almost 9,000 gallons of diesel fuel crashed and burned on the Cuyahoga River Bridge at approximately Milepost 176.9 on August 17, 1978, causing extensive damage to the reinforced concrete deck of the bridge and its supporting steel members, rendering the bridge unusable;

WHEREAS at the request of the executive director, the general counsel of the Commission has analyzed the facts and circumstances, and has determined, in his opinion of August 24, 1978 that an emergency situation does in fact exist;

WHEREAS the executive director, with the concurrence of the consulting engineer, has entered into various agreements for engineering and testing services, has invited proposals for the repair of the bridge, and after analysis has determined which contractors are best qualified to perform the necessary demolition and repair work, and additional contracts are contemplated; and

WHEREAS the executive director has kept the Commission members informed of the actions being taken, both orally and in writing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission recognizes an emergency does exist, that it ratifies and approves the actions of the executive director, consulting engineer and general counsel in effecting the necessary program of repair and reconstruction necessary to return the bridge and Turnpike to full operation at the earliest possible date, and directs that such action be continued and vigorously prosecuted.

(Resolution No. 8 -1978 adopted September 14, 1978)

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