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OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Honoring and Congratulating  
The Honorable Frank J. Lausche on the  
Occasion of his 90th Birthday

WHEREAS, Frank J. Lausche has compiled an illustrious and distinguished career of public service to the people of Ohio;

WHEREAS, a partial listing of his achievements include service as Cleveland Municipal Court Judge, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court Judge, Mayor of Cleveland, Governor of Ohio, and United States Senator;

WHEREAS, as Governor of Ohio, he became the guiding force in implementing the Ohio Turnpike Act, adopted in 1949 by the 98th Ohio General Assembly, and he appointed the initial members to the Ohio Turnpike Commission, including James W. Shocknessy, who served as Chairman of the Commission for almost twenty-seven years until his death in 1976, and also O. L. Teagarden, who served as Vice-Chairman all the while Mr. Shocknessy was Chairman and then as Chairman for two years until he resigned in 1978;

WHEREAS, his unswerving confidence and support of the Commission during the early days of its existence were indispensable to the design, construction, and operation of Ohio's first and only toll road which has been an outstanding success;

WHEREAS, his 90th birthday falls on November 14, 1985, coincidentally, the same year which marks the 30th anniversary of the Turnpike's completion and opening fully to traffic across Ohio;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the Commission hereby recognizes and expresses its sincere gratitude and appreciation for the devoted efforts by Frank J. Lausche in forming the original Commission and then supporting steadfastly its activities; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission extends to Frank J. Lausche its congratulations and its best wishes on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

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