

06/26/06

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

**Resolution Approving the Implementation of
Continuity of Operations Plan in the
Event of an Emergency**

WHEREAS, the Commission has been directed to prepare a Continuity of Operations Plan pursuant to the Governor's Cabinet Advisory No. 06-235 in order to ensure the continuous provision of essential services by all State Departments, Boards and Commissions in the event an emergency is declared pursuant to the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 5502.24; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's staff have prepared a Continuity of Operations Plan that sets forth policies and procedures to be followed in the event an emergency is declared in order to ensure that the Turnpike System is open and operational, and to provide for the safety and security of customers using the Turnpike System; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's Bylaws dated March 17, 2003 provide that the Executive Director is the chief operating administrative officer of the Commission with general control of and responsibility for the construction, operation, maintenance and improvement of projects undertaken by the Commission and has supervisory control over all employees of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, in the event an emergency is declared by the Governor or other Chief Executive pursuant to the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 5502.24, it may be necessary for the Executive Director to take such steps or implement such actions that he deems necessary beyond the authority provided to him under Article V, Section 1 of the bylaws dated March 17, 2003, in consultation with the Chairman or Vice Chairman, in order to ensure that the Turnpike System is open and operational, and to provide for the safety and security of customers using the Turnpike System; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Commission hereby authorizes the Executive Director, in the event an emergency is declared under the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 5502.24, to implement the Continuity of Operations Plan and to take such actions or implement such measures as he deems necessary, in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, in order to ensure that the Turnpike System is open and operational, and to provide for the safety and security of customers using the Turnpike System; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the executive director shall be authorized to enter into contracts, in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, that require an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 in value; and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Executive Director shall prepare a report to the Commission at the next regular or special meeting regarding those actions or measures that were taken upon the declaration of the emergency in order to ensure that the Turnpike System was open and operational, and to provide for the safety and security of customers using the Turnpike System.

(Resolution No. 21-2006 adopted June 26, 2006)

I, Gary C. Suhadolnik, Executive Director of the Ohio Turnpike Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the aforesaid resolution which was duly adopted at a meeting of the Commission, duly called for and convened and held on June 26, 2006, at which a quorum was at all times present and voting.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Ohio Turnpike Commission on this ____ day of _____, 2006.

Gary C. Suhadolnik
Executive Director