

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Interstate 41 is a vital component of the City's transportation infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, a recommendation in the required and adopted Metropolitan Planning Organization Long Range Transportation Plan calls for the expansion of Interstate 41; and

**WHEREAS**, portions of Interstate 41 from WIS 26 in Winnebago County to WIS 15 in Outagamie County is already 6-Lane and portions of Interstate 41 in Brown County have been expanded to 6-lanes south to Scheuring Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the 6-lane to 4-lane transitions create dangerous bottlenecks with a high number of serious injury and fatal crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, almost daily crashes are causing significant delay, costly and dangerous clean-up activities for emergency services and City staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the I-41 corridor is an economic engine for the region's commuting workforce that requires travel time reliability; and

**WHEREAS**, I-41 is designated on the national Primary Freight Network due to the sheer number of trucks that transport products into and out of the region; and

**WHEREAS**, East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission Transportation Committee has adopted a resolution on July 27, 2018 with the same recommendation below and many local municipalities are taking similar action; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs will likely be far higher to not expand the highway based on the safety and economic impacts of crashes and delays;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Appleton do ordain as follows:**

1. Request the Wisconsin Department of Transportation plan, design and expand Interstate 41 to 6-lanes between WIS 15 in Outagamie County and Scheuring Road in Brown County as soon as possible.
2. Authorize the City Clerk to certify and forward said certified copies of the Resolution to Governor Scott Walker and WisDOT Secretary of Transportation David Ross.

Adopted and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

### City of Appleton

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Timothy M. Hanna, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kami Lynch, City Clerk