WHEREAS, the construction of Corridor H along the Revised Original Preferred Alternative (ROPA) between the Town of Davis and the City of Thomas, providing a landscaped grade-level overpass that includes access to vehicular, bicycle, and foot traffic is not seen as an impediment to the current natural flow of movement between the two municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the interchange for traffic moving between Highway 48 and Route 32 has been relocated to the area where Corridor H currently terminates and has been redesigned in response to public comments; and

WHEREAS, the ROPA location of the bridge spanning the North Fork has been redesigned into a single-arched bridge with increased distance between the two anchor points of the arch where it goes over the historical coke ovens. It now poses no interference to the coke ovens and allows for the integration of a historic site with that of a modern roadway; and

WHEREAS, the bridge over the North Fork and the highway itself will not be visible from popular tourist destinations such as the Blackwater Falls State Park Lodge, Lindy Point, or the Peace Point Overlook; and

WHEREAS, the ROPA has been augmented with a supplementary truck route that avoids the main streets of the City of Thomas; and

WHEREAS, the ROPA has been designed to continue to avoid the community water sources and environmentally sensitive natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the ROPA is the only route that has an exit for the Tucker County High School; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Davis does not have an engineering department therefore will rely on the expertise and professional services of the Department of Highways for designing, engineering, and constructing Corridor H; and

WHEREAS, the ROPA and all concessions made to the community is the best compromise that blends the needs and concerns of environmentalists, historians, visitors, and residents with those associated with the construction of a modern four-lane highway; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF DAVIS, TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA THAT THE REVISED ORIGINAL PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE (ROPA) WITH THE TRUCK ROUTE OPTION IS THE MOST COST-EFFICIENT AND FEASIBLE ROUTE AND THEREFORE IS THE ROUTE WE HEREBY SUPPORT WHOLEHEARTEDLY.

THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE IN EFFECT FROM THE DATE OF ITS ADOPTION.

ADOPTED: MARCH 22ND, 2023

Jennie L. Helmick
RECORDER JENNIE HELMICK

Alan Tomson
MAYOR ALAN TOMSON

THE UNDERSIGNED RECORDER OF THE TOWN OF DAVIS, TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE, CORRECT AND COMPLETE COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF DAVIS AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 22ND DAY OF MARCH, 2023 IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW, AND SUCH RESOLUTION HAS NOT BEEN REPEALED, REVOKED, RESCINDED, OR AMENDED BUT IS IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT ON THE DATE HEREOF.


Jennie L. Helmick
RECORDER JENNIE HELMICK