A RESOLUTION OF
THE SOUTH CAROLINA REPUBLICAN PARTY STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SUPPORTING GOVERNOR NIKKI HALEY’S TAX REFORM PLAN

Passed by the State Executive Committee – January 24, 2015

WHEREAS, the condition of South Carolina’s road system continues to deteriorate at much cost to taxpayers, businesses, and families who’ve lost loved ones due to poor maintenance; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina’s Department of Transportation (DOT) needs structural reforms to both its leadership and operations, so the condition of South Carolina’s roads is no longer driven by short-sighted regionalism and political horse trading, and they stop wasting our tax money; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina’s high personal income tax rate (7%) impacts almost all taxpayers and makes our state uncompetitive among nearby states; and

WHEREAS, Governor Nikki Haley presented an innovative tax reform plan at her 2015 “State of the State” address that will require the DOT to be reformed and the personal income tax to be lowered before the gas tax is increased; and

WHEREAS, all gas tax revenue must then be dedicated entirely to improving our roads; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s tax plan will take us from 38th in income tax competitiveness to 13th nationally; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s tax plan brings relief to South Carolina taxpayers and is one of the largest tax cuts in state history; and

WHEREAS, we will have better roads and a stronger economic engine for our people; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina Republican Party State Executive Committee calls on the General Assembly to work in a spirit of cooperation with Governor Nikki Haley and pass the Governor’s complete tax reform plan as presented, without changes.