



## RESOLUTION No. 12-10

### A RESOLUTION OF THE NAPA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING AGENCY (NCTPA) SUPPORTING ACA 23, AN AMENDMENT TO THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION LOWERING THE VOTER THRESHOLD TO 55 PERCENT FOR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX MEASURES

**WHEREAS**, maintaining transportation and transit infrastructure is in the interest of all Napa County residents; and

**WHEREAS**, local sales tax measures help make our roads safer and reduce traffic by improving mass transit, highways and local roads; and

**WHEREAS**, Assembly Constitutional Amendment 23, which would amend California's Constitution to lower the voter threshold to 55 percent for local transportation sales tax measures is based on the principle that taxes paid at the gas pump should be used for transportation purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, with our neglected transportation system needing attention, California has the third worst deteriorated roads in the nation, and more than more than 6,000 of the state's bridges and overpasses and structurally deficient or no longer meet highway safety or design standards; and

**WHEREAS**, local transportation sales taxes provide a stable and ongoing source of transportation funding that will make it possible to plan for our future transportation needs; and

**WHEREAS**, ACA 23 will help provide funds for cities and counties to help fix potholes, repair dangerous road conditions and improve the safety of children walking or biking to school; and

**WHEREAS**, such an amendment will help speed up highway safety and traffic relief projects, and expand and improve mass transit systems; and

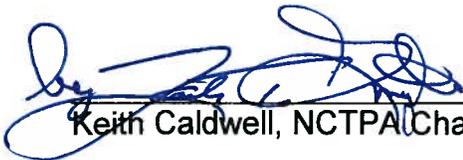
**WHEREAS**, local sales tax measures are subject to an annual audit and standard accounting practices to ensure the projects they provide are delivered on time and on budget; and

**WHEREAS**, by speeding up transportation projects thousands of new construction and other jobs will be created, our economy will be stimulated and every dollar invested in our highways will result in almost six times that in economic benefits:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing board of the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency that:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. NCTPA endorses and promotes the objectives and projected outcomes of an amendment to California's Constitution lowering the voter threshold to 55 percent for local transportation sales tax measures.
3. NCTPA seeks the endorsement and support of all other city, county and state elected officials within Napa County for ACA 23.

Passed and Adopted the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

  
Keith Caldwell, NCTPA Chair

Ayes: **GARCIA, BENNETT,  
DUNSFORD, GINGLES,  
KRIDER, TECHEL,  
DODD, BRITTON,  
DUNBAR, MOHLER**

Noes: **NONE**

Absent: **CALDWELL, WHITE**

ATTEST:

  
Karalyn E. Sanderlin, NCTPA Board Secretary

APPROVED:

  
Janice Killion, NCTPA Legal Counsel