

RESOLUTION 13

WHEREAS, after numerous meetings with the Department of Transportation and Wisconsin Road Builders, it is the consensus of the Wisconsin Highway Commissioners that Wisconsin Road Builders want all the state highway work, and if this were to happen, it would create a great hardship on the counties that depend on this work to keep people employed; and

WHEREAS, after numerous meetings with the State Maintenance Engineer they are telling the Wisconsin Highway Commissioners that in 1991-1993 Biennial Budget Request there will be \$25,000,000.00 reduction in money available to counties; and

WHEREAS, the 1991-1993 Biennial Budget Request for state highway maintenance, as endorsed by the Secretary, contains definitions concerning special maintenance and general activities which may be detrimental to County Highway Departments; and

WHEREAS, according to these recommendations, work that would require expenditures in excess of \$50,000.00 would be defined as special maintenance which may in effect preclude counties from working on projects which they have performed in prior years; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Counties have previously been encouraged to acquire equipment and to maintain work forces necessary for the completion of state highway projects.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED ~~that~~ the Iowa County Board of Supervisors does strongly oppose any proposed changes which may reduce county revenues or diminish the use of county equipment or labor forces in the future highway maintenance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor TOMMY G. THOMPSON; State Senator Richard Kreul; Assemblyman Stephen J. Freese and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Dated this 16th day of April, 1991.

Respectfully,

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