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RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD September 19, 2012

MOTION

**Made By: Mr. Martin Seconded By: Mr. Peake
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously**

Title: Relocation: Route 501 Bridge In the Bedford and Amherst County Area

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has studied the replacement of the Route 501 Bridge over the James River from Route 501 in Bedford County to Route 130 in Amherst County, State Project 0501-005-640, P101, R201, C501, B648; and

WHEREAS, the Route 501 Bridge replacement location study was documented in a Environmental Assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and approved by FHWA April 17, 2012; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia and policies of the Board, a Location Public Hearing was held June 4, 2012 at Big Island Elementary School in Bedford County, for the purpose of considering the location of the Route 501 Bridge; and

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance, and all those present given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as presented, and their statements being duly recorded and considered by the Board at its meeting on July 18, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other evidence, has been carefully reviewed.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the location for the Route 501 bridge crossing the James River [be located](#) as presented at the June 4, 2012 Location Public Hearing and studied in the Environmental Assessment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Virginia Department of Transportation continue to work with FHWA to finalize the study and secure federal approval of the new location.

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