## CITY OF BAXTER MINNESOTA RESOLUTION 2023-014

## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR FY 2023 RAISE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE MN 210 IN BRAINERD/BAXTER – SAFETY, MOBILITY, AND MULTIMODAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity "RAISE" Transportation Grants Program provides dedicated, discretionary funding for transportation infrastructure projects of local or regional significance; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation is soliciting applications for \$2.3 billion for the FY 2023 RAISE Grants Program as appropriated through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law under the National Infrastructure Investments and 2023 Appropriations Act; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2023 RAISE Grants Program directs funds be divided not more than 50 percent for rural areas and 50 percent for urbanized areas and requires measures to ensure an equitable geographic distribution of grant funds and an appropriate balance in addressing the needs of urban and rural areas; and

WHEREAS, eligible projects for FY 2023 RAISE Grants Program include surface transportation capital projects including highway, bridge, or other road projects as well as public transportation projects, passenger and freight rail transportation projects, port infrastructure investments, surface transportation components of an airport project, and intermodal projects, among others; and

WHEREAS, the maximum award for this round of FY 2023 RAISE Grants Program is \$25 million under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funds and \$45 million under the 2023 Appropriations Act funds; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Department of Transportation is seeking funds to improve safety, mobility, and multimodal transportation alternatives in Brainerd/Baxter; and

WHEREAS, funds would be used to reconstruct or repave approximately four-mile segment of MN 210 from Baxter Drive to Pine Shores Road; construct a network of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible multiuse sidewalks ramps, crosswalks, and trails; rehabilitate bridge no. 5060 over Mississippi River; construct two new roundabouts; update utilities and signal systems, realign and access; replace stormwater infrastructure along the project corridor; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements will reduce fatal/serious injury crashes through the existing intersections and the numerous conflict points, enhance non-motorized transportation infrastructure, improve the safety, mobility, travel time reliability, resiliency, multimodality, and economic and regional growth of Brainerd/Baxter Lakes Area; and

WHEREAS, the project is identified in the City of Baxter's 2026 Capital Improvement Plan and Other Agency's Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, City of Baxter will provide funding as identified in the RAISE grant application, which includes the use of funding programmed for maintenance, secured funding through other grant programs, and additional program funding as applicable; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Baxter, City Council supports and approves the application towards FY 2023 RAISE Grants Program for MN 210 in Brainerd/Baxter – Safety, Mobility, and Multimodal Improvements Project.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the above Resolution is an accurate copy of the Resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Baxter at an authorized meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023, as shown by the minutes of the meeting in my possession.

Subscribed and sworn to me this

day of

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Notary Public

My Commission Expires Jan. 31,

MARY ANNE HAUGEN NOTARY PUBLIC-MINNESOTA My Comm. Exp. Jan. 31, 2027

CITY OF BAXTER, MINNESOTA

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