



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: 5-28-24

AGENDA ITEM: Consider a request to become a member of the TH 169 Range Gateway Coalition

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BACKGROUND:

As a child in the early to mid 1970's I remember riding with my mom on the newly completed double lane highway between Hibbing and Pengilly. I could have never imagined almost 50 years later it would still not be complete to Grand Rapids.

There is movement with funding being approved for plan development. However, there still needs to be advocacy to secure construction funding. Attached is a letter from Loren Solberg who has been instrumental in creating the TH 169 Range Gateway Coalition. Their current primary focus is to get the double lane highway between Grand Rapids and Hibbing completed. His letter describes the role of the coalition and requests the participation of the City at the \$5,000 level.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion to approve a resolution becoming a member of the TH 169 Range Gateway Coalition at the \$5,000 level.