

RESOLUTION NO. R-17-03

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF
GARLAND COUNTY
TO PARTNER WITH THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT ON THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:**

**Extend U.S. Highway 70/270 (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Expressway)
from its eastern terminus at U.S. Highway 70 to Highways 5 and 7**

WHEREAS, Garland County and the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department have identified the need to extend the U.S. Highway 70/270 (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Expressway) from its eastern terminus at U.S. Highway 70 to Highways 5 and 7; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has agreed to a partnership with Garland County to move forward with this project; and

WHEREAS, the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program for Federal Fiscal Years 2016 through 2020 includes \$5 million in Federal-aid and \$5 million in local funds to begin project development; and

WHEREAS, the total project cost to construct two lanes of the ultimate four-lane extension, including acquisition and utility costs for the four-lane extension, is currently estimated to be \$60 million; and

WHEREAS, Garland County hereby agrees to contribute 50% of total project costs, not to exceed \$30 million.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT:


SECTION I: The County will participate in accordance with its designated responsibilities as described above.

SECTION II: The County Judge or his designated representative is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of this project.

SECTION III: The County pledges its full support and hereby requests that the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department initiate action to implement this project.

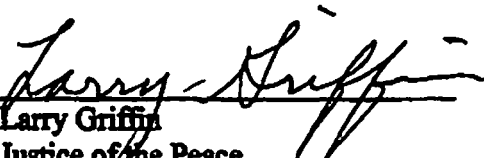
THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 13th day of February, 2017.

ATTEST: 
Sarah Smith
Garland County Clerk

APPROVED: 
Rick Davis
Garland County Judge

SPONSOR: 
Matt McKee
Justice of the Peace

DATE 2-13-2017

SPONSOR: 
Larry Griffin
Justice of the Peace

SPONSOR: 
Larry Raney
Justice of the Peace