

May 17, 2017

Dear Representative/Senator:

On behalf of the tens of thousands of professional truck drivers that ply South Carolina's roads to deliver products and services for your constituents, we wanted to express our disappointment over your opposition to highway funding legislation.

The sole purpose of this legislation was to make reasonable, long-overdue adjustments to the tried-and-true motor fuel user fee in order that the state can begin anew, the process of improving the safety and efficiency of South Carolina's roads.

In the process, it also included some much-needed reforms to the management and governance of DOT, which we support as well.

Like you, we do not celebrate "*tax increases!*" But we do salute those who were willing to cast the difficult votes.

We are satisfied that the measure was ultimately adopted and progress toward highway improvements can finally move forward.

We do look forward to working with in the future on the several public policy initiatives that can enhance our ability to attract skilled workers, particularly truck drivers, that move our economy.

We wish you a great summer, and off-season.

Sincerely,

J. Richards Todd
President