

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING LOCAL OPTION TRANSPORTATION FUND
LEGISLATION**

WHEREAS, Legislation, including SB 855, SJR 22, HB 9 and HJR 9 (collectively, “The Texas Local Option Transportation Act”), has been filed to permit the creation of local option transportation funds from a myriad of new fees, including a new resident impact fee, mobility improvement fee, drivers license fee, local option gas tax, parking fee, and emissions fee;

WHEREAS, The local option transportation funds established by the Texas Local Option Transportation Act are principally intended to fund the construction of rail projects rather than roadways;

WHEREAS, The burden of the fees funding the local option transportation funds fall disproportionately on the owners and operators of motor vehicles rather than users of the proposed rail projects; therefore

RESOLVED, The Republican Party of Texas opposes the passage and enactment into law of the Texas Local Option Transportation Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be delivered to Governor Perry and each Republican member of the Texas House and Texas Senate.

Adopted by the Republican Party of Texas this 6th day of March, 2009.

Presented by Brian Russell, SD14