

**RESOLUTION**

**Fund and require TxDOT to Increase Rural Transportation for Elderly Texans**

A RESOLUTION TO: provide funds and require the Texas Department of Transportation to purchase small economical vans when that would allow more trips with less cost.

WHEREAS: The elderly Texans who live in small towns have little or no public transportation to Hospitals or Doctors and must depend on Family or Neighbors to transport them to proper medical facilities; and,

WHEREAS: These Medical facilities can be as far, as 100 miles away and Rural Transportation busses make trips only once or twice a month. It is extremely difficult for elderly Texans to receive timely and proper medical care; thus having to give up their independent living and have to go to Nursing Homes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED That the 11<sup>th</sup> Texas Silver-Haired Legislature encourage and strongly recommend that the 80<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature provide funds and require the Texas Department of Transportation to purchase small economical vans when that would allow more trips with less cost.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006, by the General Committee.

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Maurice Osborn, Chair

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006, by the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

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Charlotte Parks, Speaker

ATTEST:

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Carlos Higgins, Secretary