

RESOLUTION NO. 728

**A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE THE FOUR LANE TENNESSEE STATE HIGHWAY 58/95/61 FROM INTERSTATE 40 TO INTERSTATE 75 AS “TENNESSEE’S INNOVATION CORRIDOR”**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Anderson and the City of Clinton desire to promote the economic vitality and development of the four lane state highway system connecting U.S. Interstates 40 (I-40) and 75(I-75) from the Gallaher Road exit on I-40 to Exit 122 on I-75; and

**WHEREAS**, this series of State Highways are underutilized as a bypass around the highly congested traffic area where I-40 and I-75 converge; making them ideally suited for economic development that is dependent on dependable logistical access; and

**WHEREAS**, there exists abundant, viable industrial, commercial, and retail sites throughout this system of State Highways including sites with both rail and barge access, sites certified by the State of Tennessee and TVA for manufacturing and data centers; and

**WHEREAS**, there exists local, state and federal assets unparalleled for economic growth and success either on or within close proximity of this system of State Highways including, but not limited to the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, the National Security Complex (Y-12), Oak Ridge Associated Universities, Roane State Community College, etc.; and

**WHEREAS**, this four lane corridor serves as a primary employer and economic engine for several rural communities in the surrounding region; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Clinton, Tennessee hereby requests legislative approval of this designation to promote the continued economic expansions this corridor that enhances the lives and livelihood of this unique part of the State of Tennessee.

Adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.



Mayor Scott Burton



Regina Ridenour, City Recorder