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News Release

227 County Officials Call on Legislature to Compromise on Transportation Funding

ST. PAUL, MN – Today the Association of Minnesota Counties sent a <u>letter signed by 227 county officials</u> to all Minnesota state legislators urging a compromise solution on comprehensive transportation funding for roads, bridges, and transit before the legislative session adjourns. The <u>letter</u> was signed 150 county commissioners, 53 county engineers/public works directors/transportation division directors, and 24 county administrators/coordinators/ auditor-treasurers.

The Association of Minnesota Counties has offered a framework for compromise outlined in the letter as legislators and the governor work out differences on how to best address the transportation needs across Minnesota.

The Association of Minnesota Counties is a voluntary statewide organization that assists the state's 87 counties in providing effective county governance to the people of Minnesota. The association works closely with the legislative and administrative branches of government in seeing that legislation and policies favorable to counties are enacted. In addition, the Association provides educational programs, training, research and communications for county officials.

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The following officials are available for individual media interviews in-person or phone upon request:

- Anoka County Commissioner Scott Schulte, Second Vice President of the Association of Minnesota Counties
- Association of Minnesota Counties Executive Director Julie Ring