

RESOLUTION 2009-03

**A RESOLUTION PETITIONING VIRGINIA'S FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES TO SPONSOR
A GRANT FOR BUILDING A MODEL 21ST CENTURY RAIL STEEL INTERSTATE SERVICE
IN THE I-81 CORRIDOR**

WHEREAS, the Town of Pulaski has a long and rich historic tradition of involvement with and promotion of the nation's railroads; and

WHEREAS, given the current political and economic environment, the Town firmly believes that the national, state and local interest calls for the immediate redevelopment and upgrading of the nation's passenger and freight rail infrastructure to provide levels of service equal to or superior to levels of service offered by the Interstate system; and

WHEREAS, Town of Pulaski firmly believes that the expansion of high speed freight and passenger rail service through the I-81 corridor will produce immediate tangible benefits with respect to cost savings, environmental preservation and economic development for the Town as well as the entire I-81 Corridor; and

WHEREAS, the 21st Century North American Steel Interstate System pilot segment, proposed for the I-81 Corridor from Knoxville, Tennessee to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, will provide a cost effective option to demonstrate the viability of fast rail service and provide immediate relief from transportation and environmental problems caused by excessive freight and passenger traffic on Interstate 81;

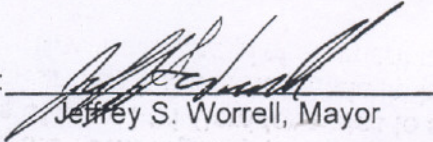
NOW, THEREFORE be it **RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia sitting in session this 17th day of March 2009, that the Town urgently petitions our congressional delegation to work in concert with representatives of other I-81 Corridor states to sponsor and secure passage of a Federal transportation demonstration grant to assemble in the I-81 Corridor between Knoxville, Tennessee and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, the pilot segment of the 21st Century rail, the North American Steel Interstate System.

This resolution is effective upon adoption and is hereby adopted this 17th day of March 2009 by the duly recorded vote of the Town Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia as follows:

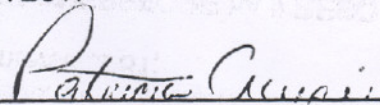
David L. Clark - Aye
Larry G. Clevinger - Aye
H.M. Kidd - Aye

Joel B. Burchett, Jr. - Aye
Robert A. Bopp - Aye
Morgan P. Welker - Aye

THE TOWN OF PULASKI, VIRGINIA

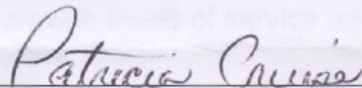
BY: 
Jeffrey S. Worrell, Mayor

ATTEST:


Patricia Cruise, Clerk of Council

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I, Patricia Cruise, Clerk of the Council of the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution 2009-03, *A Resolution Petitioning Virginia's Federal Representatives to Sponsor A Grant For Building A Model 21st Century Rail and Steel Interstate Service in the I-81 Corridor* is a true and correct copy of the Resolution set out and adopted by the recorded vote of the Town Council on March 17, 2009.



Patricia Cruise, Clerk of Council

