Standing Committee on Highways Proposed Policy Resolution (PPR-AM08)
Subcommittee on Bridges and Structures
Subcommittee on Maintenance
Subcommittee on Materials
Title: *Endorsement and Expansion of the Transportation System Preservation Technical Services Program*

WHEREAS, The AASHTO Board of Directors approved the establishment of a Transportation System Preservation Technical Services Program (TSP-2) in 2005 to support the research, technical, and program needs of the member states in their development and implementation of preservation programs, and

WHEREAS, AASHTO in collaboration with the National Center for Pavement Preservation has successfully implemented said technical services program, now known as TSP-2 to assist states with their pavement preservation efforts including the establishment of regional pavement preservation partnerships, and

WHEREAS, There are other worthwhile needs of value to the public that are competing for scarce highway funding to maintain, preserve and rehabilitate bridges and pavement to ensure reliability and safety of the road system, and

WHEREAS, There are an increasing number of bridges in the national inventory that would benefit from the timely application of preservation activities to extend their useful service life in a manner similar to that being utilized for pavements in the roadway network, and

WHEREAS, The TSP-2 Pavement Preservation Program, including regional groups, has been very successful and could be an excellent template for expanding TSP-2 to include bridge preservation, and

WHEREAS, An Oversight Panel was appointed by AASHTO to guide the implementation and operation of the TSP-2 program, including representation from the AASHTO subcommittees on Bridges and Structures, Maintenance, Materials, Asset Management, Design-Joint technical Committee on Pavements, as well as members from each of the AASHTO regions, and

WHEREAS, The Oversight Panel has reviewed the operational needs of the TSP-2 program and recommended that the voluntary contribution be increased from $9,500 to $20,000 from each participating state to fund technical support staff for operation of the TSP-2 as well as regional Groups for both Bridge and Pavement Preservation, and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The AASHTO Highway Subcommittee on Maintenance express its support and endorses the expansion of TSP-2 to include Bridge and Pavement Preservation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the AASHTO Highway Subcommittee on Maintenance request an increase in the voluntary contribution of each participating states to $20,000, as recommended by the Transportation System Preservation Technical Services Program Oversight Panel.