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No Tolls Resolution

THE TOWN OF VOLUNTOWN HEREBY RESOLVES to adopt a resolution in opposition to the implementation of any tolls on Connecticut Highways as follows;

WHEREAS The Voluntown Board of Selectmen believes that the implementation of tolls on Connecticut highways would result in increased traffic on secondary roads in the Town of Voluntown with motorists attempting to bypass the tolls;

WHEREAS the Board of Selectmen also believes that implementing truck only tolls increase the likeliness of all vehicle tolls in the future;

WHEREAS the Board of Selectmen recognize that Voluntown is a commuter town and many residents travel on 395 and 95 to get to work, school, and shop;

WHEREAS the Board of Selectmen further believes that the implementation of tolls would affect the quality of life of Voluntown residents in numerous ways, including:

1. Crowding of secondary roads, an increase in traffic accidents, and disruption of the pedestrian enjoyment in and around the roads affected;
2. The possibility of another increase in the heavy-duty commercial vehicles and tractor trailer trucks driving through our scenic New England community, negatively impacting the Town’s character and atmosphere;
3. Adding an expense burden to our residents that include working families, seniors, and young adults who are already struggling to make ends meet when the cost of living is increasing and personal income is not;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Voluntown Board of Selectmen hereby declares its opposition to the implementation of tolls on state highways; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Voluntown Board of Selectmen does hereby submit this resolution to the Governor of Connecticut and the Connecticut State Legislature.

ADOPTED BY THE VOLUNTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN THIS 28th DAY OF JANUARY 2020

Tracey L. Hansen, First Selectman

Date: 1-28-2020

I, Pamela E. Theroux, the Clerk of the Town of Voluntown, do hereby certify this to be a true copy of the resolution duly adopted at the Board of Selectmen meeting on January 28, 2020 and that it has not been rescinded, amended or altered in any way, and that it remains in full force and effect.

Pamela E. Theroux, Town Clerk

Date: 1/28/2020