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Resolution in Support of asking the State for a Variance in the reconstruction of Ford Pkwy between Howell and Snelling

Whereas Ramsey County will reconstruct and repave Ford Parkway in 2015 in a major project impacting the roadway, Highland's Library and Hillcrest Recreation Center and Highland Village,

Whereas many members of the Highland community have expressed a designed for a Complete Streets redesign with medians and bike lanes,

Whereas residents of Ford Parkway have strongly supported the creation of medians to separate traffic and make street crossings safer,

Whereas Ramsey County will have to seek a variance from Minnesota Department of Transportation guidelines on the required width of parking lanes;

Be it resolved that the Highland District Council believes this variance request would satisfy both the desire of the biking community to have dedicated lanes and the desire of the community to have planted medians,

And be it resolved that the Highland District Council fully supports Ramsey County in attempting to obtain a variance for creating a Complete Street project featuring medians and bicycle lanes to improve both pedestrian and biker safety.

Approved November 7, 2013 By the Highland District Council Board of Directors