RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCALLY ENFORCED MOTOR VEHICLE IDLING LIMITATIONS IN NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS (R08-03)

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council, comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with the North Central Texas Council of Governments, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth area is a federally designated nonattainment area for the pollutant ozone and air quality impacts the public and economic health of the entire region; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council is responsible for air quality conformity; and the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 require that in air quality nonattainment areas, transportation plans and improvement programs conform to the applicable air quality implementation plan; and,

WHEREAS, Locally Enforced Idling Restriction is a Voluntary Mobile Source Emission Reduction Program commitment in the Dallas-Fort Worth Eight-Hour Ozone Attainment Demonstration State Implementation Plan (SIP); and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council has no regulatory authority to enforce idling restrictions; and recognizes that local governments have such authority upon entering into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- The Regional Transportation Council endorses the TCEQ Idling Limitations Rule as published in the Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 114, Subchapter J, Operational Controls for Motor Vehicles, Division 2, Locally Enforced Motor Vehicle Idling Limitations.
- The Regional Transportation Council encourages local government adoption of the TCEQ Idling Limitations Rule by reference, and supports creation of a North Texas MOA to be entered into by local governments for the purpose of enforcement.
- <u>Section 3.</u> The Regional Transportation Council commits to provide local governments assistance with development of applicable enforcement and education programs.
- Section 4. The Regional Transportation Council may consider compliance with this resolution when considering future Regional Transportation Council funding action.

This resolution will be transmitted to all local governments in the nine-county ozone Section 5.

nonattainment area.

This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon adoption. Section 6.

Oscar Trevino, Chair

Regional Transportation Council Mayor, City of North Richland Hills

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area on

May 8, 2008.

B. Glen Whitley, Secretary

Regional Transportation Council County Judge, Tarrant County