STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	
	)	RESOLUTION # 11-11
COUNTY OF DORCHESTER	)	

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR 50/50 MATCHING FUNDS FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FISCAL YEAR 2012 FEDERAL MATCH PROGRAM FOR CONSTRUCTION OF BACONS BRIDGE ROAD/S.C. HIGHWAY 165 IMPROVEMENTS FROM CAROLINIAN DRIVE TO ASHLEY RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is administering the Fiscal Year 2012 Federal Match Program that can fund eligible highway construction projects that are "shovel-ready" by September 15, 2011 on a 50/50 matching basis, and

WHEREAS, the funding for the two-mile stretch of Bacons Bridge Road/SC Hwy 165 from Carolinian Drive to Ashley Ridge High School is not covered in the Dorchester County One-Cent Sales Tax Program, and

WHEREAS, the Bacons Bridge Road Improvements project from Carolinian Drive to Ashley Ridge High School has an approximate cost of \$5 Million, thus making the project potentially eligible for a \$2.5 Million grant from the Fiscal Year 2012 Federal Match Program, and

WHEREAS, according to SCDOT crash data, 31 crashes have occurred on this road segment since January 2008 as enrollment at Ashley Ridge High School has increased from 800 students in 2008 to 1,900 students in 2011, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dorchester County Council endorses and authorizes County staff to apply for a grant from the Fiscal Year 2012 Federal Match Program to cover 50 percent of the construction cost for Bacons Bridge Road Improvements from Carolinian Drive to Ashley Ridge High School to enhance public safety on this road.

ADOPTED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August 2011.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

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ry S. Hargett, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandy W. Lawley, Clerk