A RESOLUTION

To express support for the Hyperloop Transportation Initiative.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Ohio:

WHEREAS, The State of Ohio is the birthplace of aviation, one of the original locations for the electric long distance railway, the location of the first traffic light and service station, and a long-standing supporter of innovation and ingenuity in transportation technology; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is the nation's leader in transportation innovation and modernization, as demonstrated recently through the ongoing development of smart mobility corridors and initiatives by the Ohio Department of Transportation and local partners; and

WHEREAS, Hyperloop corridors in Ohio will increase connectivity between regions of Ohio and the nation, connecting businesses to market and people to employment; and

WHEREAS, Hyperloop technology could be part of a solution for addressing the transportation needs of Ohio by increasing capacity for cargo movement and passenger travel and providing a new safe, quick, and efficient transportation option; and

WHEREAS, New corridors under consideration in Ohio, including the Midwest Connect corridor connecting the Midwest region, would create new economic and social opportunities for Ohio's companies and citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ohio has an opportunity to further benefit from Hyperloop technology by leveraging Ohio's corporate and institutional talent and resources to participate in the research and development of the technology and the supply chain needed to produce and construct Hyperloop corridors in Ohio and internationally; and

WHEREAS, The Hyperloop Transportation Initiative would have a significant positive impact on Ohio's economy and infrastructure; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 132nd General Assembly of the State of Ohio, recognizing Ohio's role as a leader in the field of transportation and the potential positive impact of the Hyperloop Transportation Initiative, express support for the development of the Initiative; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State of Ohio, its agencies, political subdivisions, and private sector partners are encouraged to work collaboratively to evaluate and explore opportunities for the potential development of Hyperloop corridors in Ohio; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the State of Ohio, its agencies, political subdivisions, and private sector partners are encouraged to work collaboratively to give Ohio companies, institutions, and talent the opportunity to participate in the research, development, production, and construction of Hyperloop corridors internationally; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the members of the Ohio Congressional delegation and the news media of Ohio.

Speaker ______ of the House of Representatives.

Adopted ______, 20____