

SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4839

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

2           **WHEREAS**, the state of Missouri has outstanding natural beauty that Missourians and  
3 visitors enjoy; and

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4           **WHEREAS**, Scenic Missouri, an organization devoted to improving the safety and  
5 visual qualities of Missouri roadways, sees an opportunity to rebuild Interstate 70 into a safe and  
6 rewarding aesthetic experience that showcases Missouri's natural beauty and highlights the state's  
7 topography and its cultural, agricultural, business, retail, historical, and tourist attractions; and

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9           **WHEREAS**, the inevitable rebuilding of Interstate 70 presents a unique opportunity to  
10 maintain, enhance, and improve that roadway in all respects including, but not limited to, safety,  
11 commerce, and aesthetic experience; and

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13           **WHEREAS**, preserving Missouri's natural scenic beauty and promoting its safety,  
14 tourism, and economic development potential are valid public purposes and should be  
15 considered; and

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17           **WHEREAS**, opportunities are presented to rebuild a deteriorating Interstate 70; and

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19           **WHEREAS**, this is a transportation, economic development, job preservation, and  
20 quality-of-life issue, and input should be sought from stakeholders in economic development,  
21 roadside business, leaseholders, billboard operators, agriculture, tourism, local residents, local  
22 land owners, local officials, and historical, cultural, and scenic conservation; and

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24           **WHEREAS**, Missourians deserve safe, well-maintained, and adequate highways that are  
25 a source of pride and commerce:

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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27           **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the members of the Missouri House  
28 of Representatives, Ninety-ninth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, hereby recommend  
29 that when addressing proposals regarding the rebuilding of Interstate 70 that the House  
30 Transportation Committee, or such other committee as determined by the speaker of the House  
31 of Representatives, consider economically reasonable approaches to preserving visual qualities  
32 and safety features of the Interstate-70 right-of-way until the final day of the Ninety-ninth  
33 General Assembly.

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