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JOINT RESOLUTION

ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri, an amendment repealing section 30(a) of article IV of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the taxation of motor fuel.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the

- 2 state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday
- 3 in November, 2022, or at a special election to be called by
- 4 the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to
- 5 the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or
- 6 rejection, the following amendment to article IV of the
- 7 Constitution of the state of Missouri:
 - Section A. Section 30(a), article IV, Constitution of
- 2 Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu
- 3 thereof, to be known as section 30(a), to read as follows:
 - Section 30(a). 1. A tax upon or measured by fuel used
- 2 for propelling highway motor vehicles shall be levied and
- 3 collected as provided by law. Any amount of the tax
- 4 collected with respect to fuel not used for propelling
- 5 highway motor vehicles shall be refunded by the state in the
- 6 manner provided by law. The remaining net proceeds of the
- 7 tax, after deducting actual costs of collection of the
- 8 department of revenue (but after June 30, 2005, not more
- 9 than three percent of the amount collected) and refunds for
- 10 overpayments and erroneous payments of such tax as permitted

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by law, shall be apportioned and distributed between the 11 counties, cities and the state highways and transportation 12 13 commission as hereinafter provided and shall stand appropriated without legislative action for the following 14 15 purposes: (1) Ten percent of the remaining net proceeds shall be 16 17 deposited in a special trust fund known as the "County Aid 18 Road Trust Fund". In addition, beginning July 1, 1994, an additional five percent of the remaining net proceeds which 19 20 is derived from the difference between the amount received from a tax rate equal to the tax rate in effect on March 31, 21 1992, and the tax rate in effect on and after July 1, 1994, 22 23 shall also be deposited in the county aid road trust fund, and of such moneys generated by this additional five 24 percent, five percent shall be apportioned and distributed 25 solely to cities not within any county in this state. After 26 27 such distribution to cities not within any county, the 28 remaining proceeds in the county aid road trust fund shall 29 be apportioned and distributed to the various counties of the state on the following basis: One-half on the ratio that 30 the county road mileage of each county bears to the county 31 road mileage of the entire state as determined by the last 32 available report of the state highways and transportation 33 34 commission and one-half on the ratio that the rural land valuation of each county bears to the rural land valuation 35 36 of the entire state as determined by the last available 37 report of the state tax commission, except that county road mileage in incorporated villages, towns or cities and the 38 39 land valuation in incorporated villages, towns or cities

shall be excluded in such determination, except that, if the

assessed valuation of rural lands in any county is less than

five million dollars, the county shall be treated as having

43 an assessed valuation of five million dollars. The funds apportioned and distributed to each county shall be 44 45 dedicated, used and expended by the county solely for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repairs of 46 roads, bridges and highways, and subject to such other 47 provisions and restrictions as provided by law. The moneys 48 generated by the additional five percent of the remaining 49 50 net proceeds which is derived from the difference between the amount received from a tax rate equal to the tax rate in 51 52 effect on March 31, 1992, and the tax rate in effect on and after July 1, 1994, shall not be used or expended for 53 equipment, machinery, salaries, fringe benefits or capital 54 improvements, other than roads and bridges. In counties 55 having the township form of county organization, the funds 56 57 distributed to such counties shall be expended solely under the control and supervision of the county commission, and 58 shall not be expended by the various townships located 59 within such counties. "Rural land" as used in this section 60 61 shall mean all land located within any county, except land 62 in incorporated villages, towns, or cities. (2) Fifteen percent of the remaining net proceeds shall 63 be apportioned and distributed to the various incorporated 64 cities, towns and villages within the state solely for 65 construction, reconstruction, maintenance, repair, policing, 66 signing, lighting and cleaning roads and streets and for the 67 68 payment of principal and interest on indebtedness on account 69 of road and street purposes, and the use thereof being subject to such other provisions and restrictions as 70 provided by law. The amount apportioned and distributed to 71 72 each city, town or village shall be based on the ratio that the population of the city, town or village bears to the 73 population of all incorporated cities, towns or villages in 74

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the state having a like population, as shown by the last federal decennial census, provided that any city, town or village which had a motor fuel tax prior to the adoption of this section shall annually receive not less than an amount equal to the net revenue derived therefrom in the year 1960; and

- (3) All the remaining net proceeds in excess of the distributions to counties, and to cities, towns and villages under this section shall be apportioned, distributed and deposited in the state road fund and shall be expended and used solely as provided in subsection 1 of section 30(b) of Article IV of this Constitution.
- 2. The director of revenue of the state shall make the apportionment, distribution and deposit of the funds monthly in the manner required hereby.
- 90 3. Except for taxes or licenses which may be imposed 91 uniformly on all merchants or manufacturers based upon 92 sales, or which uniformly apply ad valorem to the stocks of 93 merchants or manufacturers, no political subdivision in this state shall collect any tax, excise, license or fee upon, 94 95 measured by or with respect to the importation, receipt, manufacture, storage, transportation, sale or use, on or 96 after the first day of the month next following the adoption 97 98 of this section of fuel used for propelling motor vehicles, 99 unless the tax, excise, license or fee is approved by a vote 100 of the people of any city, town or village subsequent to the 101 adoption of this section, by a two-thirds majority. All funds collected shall be used solely for construction, 102 reconstruction, maintenance, repair, policing, signing, 103 104 lighting, and cleaning roads and streets and for the payment 105 and interest on indebtedness incurred on account of road and 106 street purposes.

- 4. The net proceeds of fuel taxes apportioned,
 distributed and deposited under this section to the state
 road fund, counties, cities, towns and villages shall not be
 included within the definition of "total state revenues" in
 section 17 of article X of this constitution nor be
 considered as an "expense of state government" as that term
 is used in section 20 of article X of this constitution.
- 114 Beginning January 1, 2022, the tax under subsection 115 1 of this section shall be not less than nineteen cents per gallon. Beginning January 1, 2023, the tax under subsection 116 1 of this section shall be not less than twenty-one cents 117 per gallon. Beginning January 1, 2024, the tax under 118 subsection 1 of this section shall be not less than twenty-119 three cents per gallon. Beginning January 1, 2025, the tax 120 121 under subsection 1 of this section shall be not less than 122 twenty-five cents per gallon. Beginning January 1, 2026, 123 the tax under subsection 1 of this section shall be not less than twenty-seven cents per gallon. 124