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HR 1001

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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 TO EXPRESS SUPPORT OF THE FEDERAL DESIGNATION OF U.S.
10 ROUTE 67 AS "FUTURE INTERSTATE 57".

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13 **Subtitle**

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15 DESIGNATION OF U.S. ROUTE 67 AS "FUTURE
16 INTERSTATE 57".

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19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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22 WHEREAS, the United States Senate Committee on Appropriations approved
23 the Fiscal Year 2017 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development and
24 Related Agencies Appropriations Bill which contains language added by United
25 States Senator John Boozman that designates U.S. Route 67 as "Future
26 Interstate 57"; and

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28 WHEREAS, the bill also allows that any segment of U.S. Route 67 built
29 to interstate standards may be officially added to the federal interstate
30 system as "Interstate 57"; and

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32 WHEREAS, U.S. Route 67 from U.S. Route 412 in Walnut Ridge, Arkansas,
33 to Interstate 40 in North Little Rock, Arkansas, covering approximately one
34 hundred twenty-two (122) miles, was built according to interstate standards,
35 and is oriented to connect with existing Interstate 57 in southeast Missouri;
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2 WHEREAS, currently, Interstate 57 extends from Chicago, Illinois, to
3 Sikeston, Missouri, covering three hundred eighty-five (385) miles. Adding
4 the proposed section of U.S. Route 67 to Interstate 57 will create a direct
5 interstate connection from Little Rock, Arkansas to Chicago, Illinois; and
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7 WHEREAS, when complete, Interstate 57 will improve the State of
8 Arkansas's transportation network and alleviate traffic congestion on other
9 parts of the interstate system; and
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11 WHEREAS, Interstate 57 will create new economic opportunities for the
12 state and give existing companies in the state access to national and global
13 markets,
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15 NOW THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 THAT the House of Representatives support the federal designation of
20 U.S. Route 67 as "Future Interstate 57" and the commitment to build future
21 interstates in the State of Arkansas to further connect the state with the
22 rest of the country.
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon its adoption a copy of this resolution
25 be presented to United States Senator John Boozman.
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