

HAVEN TOWNSHIP  
SHERBURNE COUNTY, MINNESOTA

R- 4 -01

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE NORTHSTAR  
COMMUTER RAIL PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Haven is a member of the Northstar Corridor Development Authority, established by Joint Powers Agreement in 1997; and

**WHEREAS**, demographic projections indicate that growth patterns and traffic congestion in both the Twin Cities metropolitan area and the Northstar Corridor will increase dramatically in the next 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Haven supports Northstar commuter rail from Minneapolis to the St. Cloud/Rice area to help relieve pressure on an overburdened state highway system; and

**WHEREAS**, the Northstar Corridor commuter rail project, when completed, will provide greater access to and from the Township of Haven, allowing our residents to commute to and from jobs reliably and safely; and

**WHEREAS**, Northstar Corridor commuter rail will provide a viable transportation alternative for Township of Haven senior citizens on fixed incomes, students and those with disabilities; and

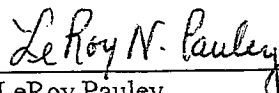
**WHEREAS**, the Hiawatha and bus connections will allow Township of Haven residents access to other parts of the Twin Cities, such as the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport, Mall of America, and the University of Minnesota; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Haven's ongoing support for the Northstar Commuter Rail Project has been demonstrated by its active involvement in the Northstar Corridor Development Authority since June, 1997;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Haven hereby reaffirms its support for the Northstar Commuter Rail Project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township of Haven requests that the Minnesota Legislature authorize \$120 million in state bonds to provide a match for the Northstar Corridor Commuter Rail Project.

Passed and adopted by the Haven Township Board, Sherburne County, Minnesota, on November 19, 2001.

  
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LeRoy Pauley  
Haven Town Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Michael Zniewski, Clerk