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TO: Members of the Illinois General Assembly

FROM: Michael Carrigan, TFIC co-chair
Doug Whitley, TFIC co-chair

RE: Transportation Proposals

DATE: February 26, 2008

Attached is a copy of the letter TFIC sent to Speaker Madigan last week in response to his request that we listen and respond to his gaming proposal and the intended capital spending that would be funded by such a proposal. As the letter indicates, TFIC can support the gaming expansion proposed by the Speaker, if it is implemented expeditiously, as well as many other funding programs that provide sufficient revenues to: 1) fund an adequate transportation capital package and 2) create necessary reforms and protections to guarantee that funding intended for transportation is used for that purpose and is fairly distributed.

The coalition welcomes the opportunity to work with all members of the General Assembly and the Governor's office to achieve consensus and ultimate approval of an adequate transportation funding package. We look forward to continuing to collaborate with you in the coming weeks to find a resolution.

Sincerely,

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Douglas L. Whitley
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