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DRIVE Statement on Assembly GOP Caucus Transportation/Tax Relief Outline

“DRIVE is pleased to see the Assembly Republican Caucus offer an outline for a budget solution that will begin to address our long-term transportation funding crisis while also reducing taxes in other areas of the budget by at least \$300 million dollars,” said Tom Diehl, president of Tommy Bartlett Inc., and DRIVE. “We recognize the need for an agreement between the Governor, the Assembly and the Senate before any plan can move forward, but this is a very good start!”

“We view this as progress,” said Steve Baas, senior vice president of Milwaukee Metropolitan Association of Commerce and vice president of DRIVE. “Solving the transportation funding problem while also cutting taxes will make Wisconsin more competitive for existing businesses and more attractive for new businesses. We look forward to working with both houses and the Walker Administration on the details of this package.”

“Farmers depend on a good transportation system to get our products to market. We appreciate the Assembly Republican Caucus for offering a solid plan that can serve as a starting point for discussions with the Senate and the Governor,” said Jim Holte, president of the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation and secretary/treasurer of DRIVE.

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DRIVE is a statewide transportation advocacy organization with the mission of building broad support for a bipartisan transportation funding solution, improving public awareness and coordinating efforts to improve transportation infrastructure in Wisconsin.

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