**Administrative Resolution AR-3-16**

**Title: Control City Request from Mississippi Department of Transportation**

**WHEREAS**, The State of Mississippi in response to the provisions of the AASHTO Guidelines for Listing Control Cities for Use in Guide Signs on Interstate Highways has requested that the City of Tupelo be established as the control city destination along the interchange of Interstate Route I-22, and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Tupelo is the official designation of Interstate 22 within the State of Mississippi that lies at the interchange with SR 304 (Future I-269) to the Alabama State Line; and

**WHEREAS,** Tupelo, the hub of several nationally significant highways and routes, is the State’s 7th largest city and the 2nd largest city in the State north of the I-20 corridor city in Mississippi and is already listed as a control city for Interstates 20, 59, and 65; and

**WHEREAS,** Tupelo is the largest city on the US 78/I-22 corridor between Birmingham & Memphis and is already being used as a control city on US 78 (which runs concurrently with I-22); and

**WHEREAS,** Motorists destined for the interchange of Interstate 22 would benefit by signing the city at this location as a Control City, and

**WHEREAS,** Most states use this criteria when determining Control Cities in an effort to provide good directional guidance to the motorist, and

**WHEREAS,** The request of this designation has been reviewed and determined to meet the requirements of the AASHTO guidelines, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, It is recommended that the request of the State of Mississippi to designate Tupelo as the control city destination along the interchange of Interstate Route I-22 be approved by the AASHTO Board of Directors.