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Please distribute to all Board Members regarding the no tolls resolution.

Dear Members of the Board of Representatives,

During my public testimony in front of the Transportation Committee several committee members asked for additional information be provided regarding tolls. I have included several links to help explain the fiscal impact that tolls will have on the residents in Stamford as well as the traffic impact from congestion tolling. The Governor has now proposed in one plan 53 tolls, last years CT DOT study calls for 82 tolls in the State.

This past Saturday Feb 23rd a No Toll Protest was held in Stamford where nearly 200 people attended on a 36 degree day to speak out against tolls. Video can be seen on the facebook page No Tolls CT every car and truck passing by was honking against tolls.

As of 2/22/19 our petition had 41,292 people on it, 970 people from Stamford. The only town ahead of Stamford was Milford at 1,123 people. As of 2/27/19 we have collected 48,000 names, however I don't have the break down at time of this email. I am hopeful you will all vote in favor of this Toll Resolution before you.

According to a State by State study by the Reason Foundation:

- Conn. had the 7th highest spending per mile of road in the country at \$497,659 per mile. The national average was \$178,116
- Conn. had the highest administrative cost per mile in the country at \$99,417 per mile. The national average is \$10,864 per mile.
- The Special Transportation Fund has a projected surplus and is estimated to grow \$300 million in the next three years, according to the Office of Fiscal Analysis and Office of Policy and Management.

Some articles with information regarding trucking industry and what they already pay and how they will have to pass the Toll cost down to customers. Price of goods will all go up effecting everyone

<https://www.yankeeinstitute.org/2019/02/trucking-companies-tolls-will-cost-hundreds-of-thousands-per-year/>

<https://www.yankeeinstitute.org/2019/02/greenwich-business-owner-says-tolls-will-cost-his-company-72000-per-year/>

<https://www.yankeeinstitute.org/2019/01/truckers-say-they-already-pay-fair-share-for-connecticut-roads-in-data-release/>

See what an expert has to say about tolls:

<https://www.yankeeinstitute.org/2019/01/professor-and-transportation-finance-expert-tolls-inefficient-regressive-tax/>

<https://www.stamfordadvocate.com/local/article/Lamont-s-budget-poses-significant-impacts-13648745.php>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Congestion_pricing will force driver off the highways onto our Stamford streets.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

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