

1 **Concurrent Resolution Regarding Scenic Byway Designations**

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Joseph Elison

Senate Sponsor: Evan J. Vickers

2 **LONG TITLE**

3 **General Description:**

4 This resolution approves the proposed Corridor Management Plan for an existing scenic
5 byway.

6 **Highlighted Provisions:**

7 This resolution:

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 - 9 ▶ approves the updated corridor management plan for the existing Zion Scenic Byway.

10 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

11 None

12 **Other Special Clauses:**

13 None

14 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

15 WHEREAS, in accordance with Utah Code Section 72-4-301.5, "a highway or state scenic
16 byway may not be nominated for designation as a National Scenic Byway or All-American
17 Road unless the corridor management plan that will be submitted with the application for the
18 highway or state scenic byway to be nominated for designation as a National Scenic Byway or
19 All-American Road is approved by the Legislature by concurrent resolution";

20 WHEREAS, the Zion Scenic Byway was approved by the Utah Legislature as a State
21 Scenic Byway in 1990 for the entirety of State Route 9 from I-15 in Hurricane to US-89 in Mt.
22 Carmel Junction;

23 WHEREAS, a National Scenic Byway is a road recognized by the United States
24 Department of Transportation to preserve and protect the scenic, historic, recreational, cultural,
25 archaeological, and natural qualities of a road;

26 WHEREAS, the proposed corridor management plan has been prepared in coordination
27 with the Zion Regional Collaborative and a byway planning team including representatives of
28 Washington County, Kane County, and all municipalities along the byway corridor, as well as
29 other agencies and interested parties; and
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31 WHEREAS, the proposed plan has been approved by Washington County, Kane County,
32 the cities of La Verkin and Hurricane, and the towns of Rockville, Springdale, and Virgin:

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
34 Governor concurring therein, approves the updated Corridor Management Plan for the Zion
35 Scenic Byway, which covers State Route 9 from I-15 in Hurricane to US-89 in Mt. Carmel
36 Junction.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Utah
38 Department of Transportation, the Utah State Scenic Byway Committee, and the Governor's
39 Office of Economic Opportunity.