

## **CENTRAL NOVA Highway Twinning**

**WHEREAS** the stretch of Highway 104 between Sutherland's River and the Canso Causeway is not uniformly included in the government's current twinning strategy; and

**WHEREAS** this section of the Trans-Canada Highway serves two provinces as it is the only gateway to Newfoundland and Labrador; and

**WHEREAS** this highway provides the only access to Cape Breton Island and the second largest municipality in Nova Scotia; and

**WHEREAS** this stretch of highway poses significant safety risks to both drivers and first responders; and

**WHEREAS** this highway could become a key driver for economic development by facilitating current and future Strait area projects; and

**WHEREAS** the province can no longer afford this road to be a geographic bottleneck and growing safety hazard;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the government make it a priority to twin Highway 104 from Sutherland's River to the Canso Causeway.

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the government explore a public-private partnership, including toll roads, if needed, to facilitate this project.