WHEREAS, transportation is essential to the delivery of customer services; and

WHEREAS, enhancing access to transportation to improve mobility, employment opportunities, and availability of transportation services for persons who are transportation disadvantaged is a priority; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Access Working Group will provide leadership in improving the coordination of human service transportation; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Johanns, Governor of the State of Nebraska, do hereby create the Transportation Access Working Group.

1. The membership of the Transportation Access Working Group shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor as follows:
   A. A representative of the Nebraska Department of Roads;
   B. A representative of the Nebraska Department of Labor;
   C. A representative of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services;
   D. A representative of a non-profit, community action agency;
   E. The Governor’s Transportation Policy Advisor;
   F. A representative of the Department of Education, nominated by the Commissioner of Education;
   G. A representative of the Public Service Commission, nominated by the Executive Director;
H. A representative of an advocacy group representing transportation disadvantaged persons, nominated by the League of Human Dignity;

I. A representative of a private non-profit transportation provider, nominated by the Director of the Nebraska Department of Roads; and

J. Ex-officio members as determined necessary and nominated by the Working Group.

2. The Working Group shall annually elect a chairperson from among its members, but such person shall not serve consecutive terms as chairperson.

3. The Working Group shall participate in the federal United We Ride program and apply for grants offered through that program.

4. The Working Group shall inventory existing state and federal transportation funding programs to determine the most effective and efficient use of transportation resources including the coordination of transportation services and funding.

5. The Working Group shall study ways to eliminate duplicated services, identifying opportunities and barriers for improved transportation services.

6. The Working Group shall present a report of its progress to the Governor, the Nebraska Legislature, and to the participating agencies prior to December 31 each year of its existence.

7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska to be affixed this 10 day of 2014 in the year of our Lord two thousand and four.

Mike Johanns
Governor

APTEST:

John Gale
Secretary of State