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Representative Keenan Announces Chapter 90 Transportation Funding

BOSTON -- Representative John Keenan (D-Salem) today announced that the City of Salem has been awarded \$646,786 in Chapter 90 funding. The funds are part of the \$150 million released in transportation grants to the Commonwealth's 351 cities and towns. These funds may be used for local road and bridge projects for reconstruction, resurfacing, equipment, design and engineering.

Chapter 90 funds allow cities and towns to focus on existing transportation infrastructure improvements, spurring immediate economic benefits and ensuring the long term viability of the state's infrastructure. Last year, Chapter 90 funding increased by \$30 million to \$150 million. Representative Keenan said, "This money means a great deal to cities like Salem and our local transportation needs and the state's infrastructure."

The Chapter 90 formula is based on road miles, population and employees. The formula was developed by the Legislative Road Caucus of the Transportation Committee. The factors in the formula are 58.33% road miles, 20.83% population and 20.83% employment. Any year-to-year fluctuations in grants are due to changes in those inputs. Apportionments and contract packages will be available on the MHD website www.mhd.state.ma.us/ch90FY.asp

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