

KAREN WHITSETT HOUSE DISTRICT 9

MICHIGAN NEEDS \$2.5 BILLION

Roads and bridges are the foundation of Michigan's economy.

We rely on our roads and bridges to move goods, services and materials to customers, businesses and manufacturers. We need safe, reliable infrastructure to take our citizens to work, school, doctor's appointments, and "Up North" for vacation.

Yet, Michigan lacks adequate infrastructure funding.

For decades, Michigan has failed to meet road and bridge funding needs. Poor roads and failing bridges contribute to accidents, traffic jams and fatalities, and they drive up repair costs. As we continue to underfund infrastructure, fixing the problem becomes more and more expensive.

Since 2003, PASER (Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating) has collected statewide pavement data, rating roads between good, fair and poor condition. These ratings help determine how long before repairs or reconstruction is needed and how much more repairs might cost if delayed.

This is the proof.

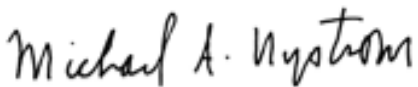
Using 2018 PASER data, these maps highlight just how drastically Michigan's roads continue to decline. Nothing more clearly demonstrates why Michigan voters have ranked our failing roads as the top issue facing our state.

Experts, business and community leaders, and politicians on both sides of the aisle agree: Michigan needs to invest \$2.5 billion or more a year for the next two decades to actually solve our infrastructure problem. Why is this number so high? Because Michigan has underinvested for decades.

Now is the time.

Without meeting this need, our roads will continue to deteriorate, and repair costs will continue to rise. Michiganders are calling on the state legislature to fix our state once and for all.

Sincerely,



Mike Nystrom
Executive Vice President,
Michigan Infrastructure &
Transportation Association (MITA)



More information about your district's roads: fixmystate.org/mydistrict
More information about preventative maintenance measures: preventmipotholes.org

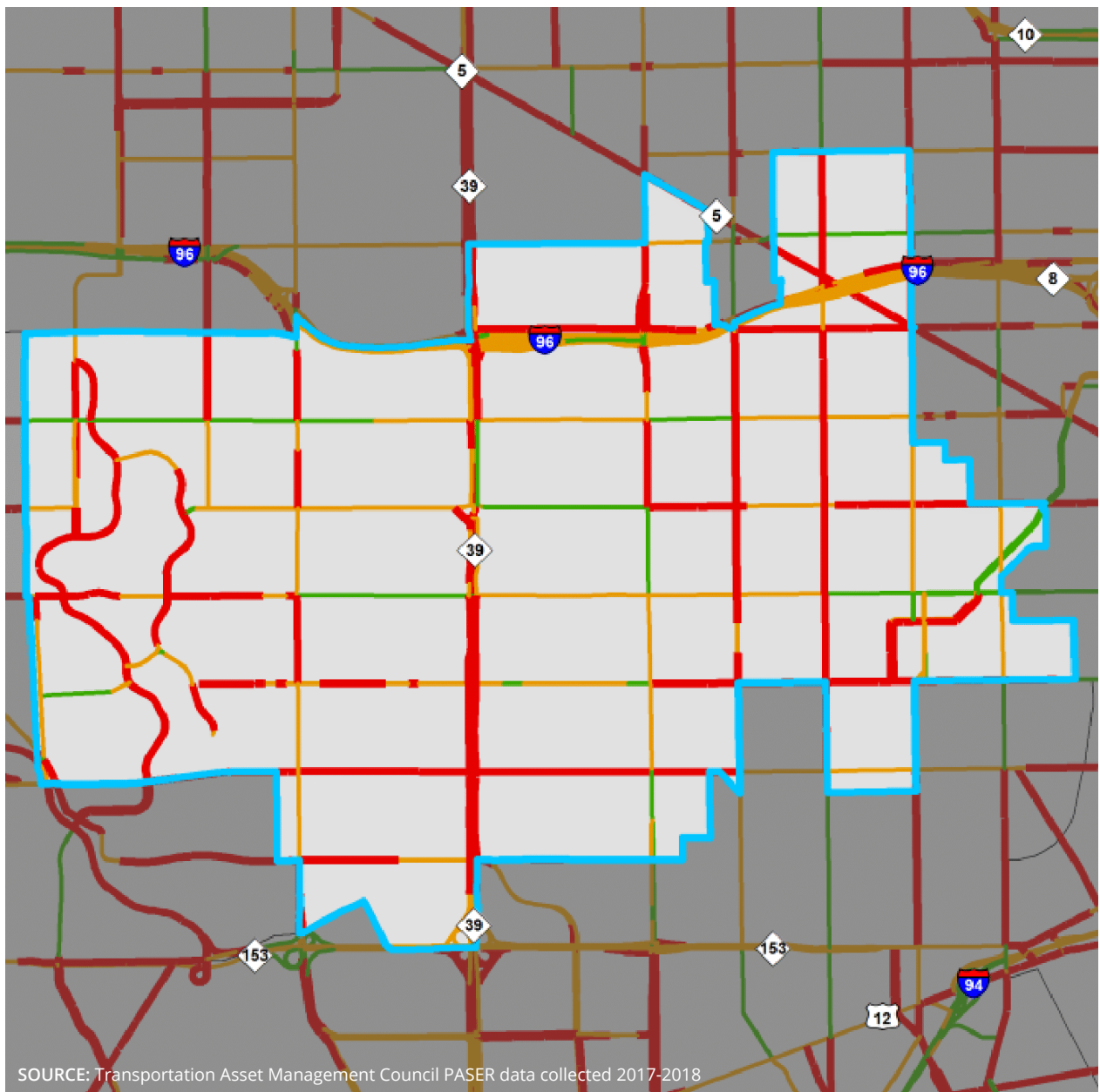
A MAP OF YOUR CRUMBLING LOCAL ROADS

FEDERAL AID PAVEMENT CONDITIONS – 2018

39.74%

OF THE ROADS IN HOUSE DISTRICT 9 ARE IN POOR CONDITION

111.74 TOTAL MILES



SOURCE: Transportation Asset Management Council PASER data collected 2017-2018

 GOOD CONDITION  FAIR CONDITION  POOR CONDITION