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COUNTY ROAD ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN ANNOUNCES NEW LEADERSHIP

LANSING, Mich. — Today, the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM) announced that Hassan A. Saab, Ph.D., P.E. has been elected to serve as President of the Association.

Upon recommendation by the Urban Association of Road Commissions and by unanimous decision of the CRAM Board of Directors, Hassan A. Saab, Deputy Director of the Department of Public Services for Wayne County was elected to serve as CRAM's President. He will fill the vacancy left when then President Robert M. Sawicki, a Macomb County Road Commissioner, was not re-appointed to his post on the road commission.

"I am honored to lead CRAM at this crucial time and look forward to working for the betterment of all county road agencies," Saab said. "On behalf of the CRAM Board of Directors, I wish to thank Mr. Sawicki for his service to our organization.

"There is much work to be done as we seek to enhance sorely needed funding for our roads and bridges," Saab said. "Michigan's county road agencies will continue to provide the best level of service possible at 2009 costs, with a 1998 funding level, but our state and local road and bridge network and Michigan's economy deserve better."

"We are pleased to have Hassan Saab as the new CRAM president," Association Director, John Niemela said. "His experience and insight will be a tremendous asset to the County Road Association and its members.

Saab will serve as President through the remainder of Sawicki's unexpired term.

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Other elected leaders of the Association include: John Hunt, Huron County Road Commission, Vice President; and Jon Rice, Kent County Road Commission, Secretary-Treasurer.

The County Road Association of Michigan represents the interests of Michigan's 83 county road agencies that collectively manage more than 75 percent of all roads in Michigan. For more information on the CRAM Board of Directors or county road commissions, please visit our website at www.micountyroads.org.

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