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Michigan State Senator Runestad honored with Distinguished Service Highway Industry Award

LANSING, MI – Oakland County resident and Michigan State Senator Jim Runestad was honored by the County Road Association (CRA) with a Distinguished Service Highway Industry Award at the 2023 CRA Highway Conference held March 22 in Lansing.

The Distinguished Service Highway Industry Award recognizes those individuals who don't work at road commissions or departments but who have dedicated their time, talent and service to the advancement of the local road system.

The MDOT Local Federal Aid Buyout Program, prioritized by CRA, was largely sponsored by Senator Runestad.

“Senator Runestad played an integral role in increasing road funding,” said Denise Donohue, CRA CEO. “His help with the MDOT Local Federal Aid Buyout Program resulted in a new, innovative way for counties to receive aid.”



The 83 members of the County Road Association of Michigan represent the unified voice for a safe and efficient county transportation infrastructure system in Michigan, including appropriate stewardship of the public's right-of-way in rural and urban Michigan. Collectively, Michigan's county road agencies manage 75% of all roads in the state, including 90,000 miles of roads and 5,700 bridges. County road agencies also maintain the state's highway system in 63 counties. Michigan has the nation's fourth-largest local road system.

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