

DECLARATION RESPECTING THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL
AND ITS RELATION WITH OTHER HIGHWAYS

Most highways leading to the South touch the Old Spanish Trail at some point. If any of them care to include a part of the Old Spanish Trail the proper course would be to clearly designate on all literature the portion of the Old Spanish Trail included, and the points of entry and of departure or terminal.

No marking by another highway on Old Spanish Trail lines will be approved. Numerous markings on the same road only lead to confusion. Moreover, the Old Spanish Trail is, and has been for many years, a recognized transcontinental highway. Governments and communities have accepted it as such and a great deal of money and effort have been expended first to link it up intelligently, then to develop it.

The solicitation of financial support for other highway associations along the route of the Old Spanish Trail should be discouraged. Extensive works have been carried thru by the Old Spanish Trail Association. Communities have been routed on this highway by their pledge of support, and all have given service in the struggle to create it as a national enterprise. If the integrity of the Old Spanish Trail as a great continental project is to be preserved all financial support should be given to the association that it's work may be completed and its policies for attracting travel may be carried out. Administering a national highway project is expensive. The Old Spanish Trail in recognition of this cheerfully co-operates with other highways and respects their rights in their own territory.

The slogan of all Old Spanish Trail communities should be to loyally support and complete this great southern trunkline and not waste or scatter support on unknown or "paper" projects. National highways are dependent for development upon Federal and state aid. This has proven insufficient even for recognized highways. National highways are not built by localities alone.