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Congressman Bob Dole (R-Ks) last night endorsed a proposal to include the K.C.-International airport artery in the interstate highway system.

At a Republican meeting here, the Congressman said, "The need for the interstate designation is clear. After the airport is built, thousands of persons each day will need good roads to and from what may be one of the largest air terminals in the nation."

"And since the Missouri Supreme Court has declared its toll road law unconstitutional, it appears the only way to get the KC-I road built is in the interstate system."

Dole said he will cooperate as much as possible with the state and civic leaders who plan to present a report soon to the federal government on the need for the interstate designation.

"The expected heavy flow of traffic and the need for good access routes make it mandatory that the artery be included in the interstate system as soon as possible," he said.