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The Honorable Phillip DeVillier
Speaker of the House
900 N. 3rd St.
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

The Honorable Cameron Henry
President of the Senate
900 N. 3rd St.
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

RE: Line Item Veto in House Bill No. 2 of the 2025 Regular Session

Dear Speaker DeVillier and President Henry:

Please be advised that I signed House Bill 2 from the 2025 Regular Session. However, House Bill 2 includes appropriations totaling \$295,426,149, which exceeds the amount of available funds by \$1,063,149. The Legislature's actions of overspending left me with no option but to reduce the total appropriations in House Bill 2.

In our efforts, we searched for new projects where construction had not yet begun. This approach allows us to proceed with projects already well into the construction phase without experiencing funding shortfalls or gaps. Allowing such shortfalls would be fiscally and contractually irresponsible. Consequently, I am exercising my authority to line item veto three projects added by the legislature as follows:

Veto No. 1 Delete Lines 43-50 on Page 60 of 162

Veto No. 2 Delete Lines 21-29 on Page 84 of 162

Veto No. 3 Delete Lines 15-19 on Page 98 of 162

The justification for this veto is to ensure fiscal responsibility and maintain a balanced budget. It is imperative that the Legislature does not commit to expenditures exceeding our available funds, as this could jeopardize the financial stability of our state.

I encourage you to work closely with my staff during the year in hopes that we can restore fiscal responsibility to the process, secure the necessary funding, and prioritize this project next year during the next Regular Session.

Enclosed is a copy of the signed version of House Bill 2. I have sent the original to the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Landry", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jeff Landry
Governor

Enclosure: Copy of House Bill 2