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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 68

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER

HIGHWAYS: Urges and requests the Department of Transportation and Development to reevaluate and construct a safety installation in a certain community in Shreveport, Louisiana

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to reevaluate the
3 location of a crosswalk in the 4600 block of North Market Street, United States
4 Highway 71, in Shreveport, Louisiana, and to construct an appropriate installation
5 in this area to ensure the safety of pedestrians, prevent property damage, and avert
6 future deadly automobile accidents.

7 WHEREAS, as it passes through Shreveport, United States Highway 71 is known as
8 North Market Street and passes through some residential areas; and

9 WHEREAS, in passing through residential areas, the highway splits neighborhoods,
10 separating homes from shops and recreation facilities; and

11 WHEREAS, House Concurrent Resolution 218 of the 2007 Regular Session urged
12 construction of an elevated crosswalk in the North Market area; and

13 WHEREAS, in response to the Resolution and a death that occurred in this area a
14 crosswalk was implemented in the location; and

15 WHEREAS, the crosswalk was not placed in the proper location as evidenced by a
16 pattern of multiple accidents after its placement; and

17 WHEREAS, as a result of the improper placement vehicles have repeatedly struck
18 areas in proximity to the crosswalk causing accidents; and

19 WHEREAS, when these crashes occur they block residents from being able to access
20 their homes; and

1 WHEREAS, multiple homes, along with vehicles parked at these residences, have
2 been struck and severely damaged as a result of cars crashing onto these properties; and

3 WHEREAS, the crosswalk cannot be removed without legislative action as well as
4 an alternate safety installation for crossing LA 1; and

5 WHEREAS, it is urgent to assess the needs of residents and citizens who travel
6 through the 4600 block of North Market Street to protect drivers and the community from
7 further harm; and

8 WHEREAS, the community around the 4600 block of North Market Street
9 desperately needs the Department of Transportation and Development to evaluate and
10 implement whichever measures are necessary to resolve the current roadway issues to ensure
11 safety throughout the community.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
13 urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to reevaluate the
14 location of a crosswalk in the 4600 block of North Market Street, United States Highway 71,
15 in Shreveport, Louisiana, and to construct an appropriate installation in this area to ensure
16 the safety of pedestrians, prevent property damage, and avert future deadly automobile
17 accidents.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
19 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

DIGEST

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