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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 278

BY REPRESENTATIVE TAYLOR

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the road conditions on particular roadways that intersect with United States Highway 61 in St. John the Baptist Parish.

WHEREAS, Carrollwood Drive, Belle Point Boulevard, and Belle Terre Boulevard have become concerning intersections due to the accident rates and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, St. John the Baptist Parish is working towards a complete street improvement along Belle Terre Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, street improvements are needed on the highway due to it being heavily traveled, old aged, and a main evacuation route in the state; and

WHEREAS, there are several conflict points along the highway, including red lights which cause motorists to speed to beat the lights which have resulted in collisions; and

WHEREAS, improving this highway would make it easier for people to access it as well as for local businesses during lunch hours; and

WHEREAS, not only are improvements needed for motorists, but also for pedestrians utilizing the streets; and

WHEREAS, Airline Highway consists of schools, senior living homes, and shopping centers which makes it common for traveling by foot to access these locations; and

WHEREAS, adding sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and efficient pedestrian call buttons would help alleviate accidents; and

WHEREAS, improvements to the highway would improve mobility and greatly reduce the number of severe crashes common to motorists and pedestrians utilizing the busy highway.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study road conditions on particular roadways that intersect with United States Highway 61 in St. John the Baptist Parish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and Development shall submit a report detailing its findings to the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works by January 3, 2025.

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

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES