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EDDIE J. LAMBERT
State Representative - District 59

Congressman Richard Baker
United States House of Representatives
5555 Hilton Avenue
Suite 100
Baton Rouge, LA 70808

RE: LA HIGHWAY 74 INTERCHANGE

Dear Mr. Dugas.

This letter is to request to put an interchange at LA Hwy 74 and I-10 in Ascension Parish. LA Highway 74 has undergone rapid residential development. This project would greatly aid the traffic problems currently facing Ascension Parish. LA Hwy 74 crosses I-10 approx 1 mile south of the Hwy 73 Interchange. At the current time the right- a-ways could be acquired for the entrance and exit ramps for relative little cost since the area is not fully developed. There is an existing overpass and all that would need to be done is to construct two entrance and exit ramps for I-10 east and west bound. This would greatly relieve the traffic at I-10/ 73 interchange since residents and commuters would now have a second interchange for I-10. I have enclosed a concurrent resolution that was passed by the House and Senate urging and requesting the DOTD to study the feasibility of constructing an interstate exchange on Interstate 10 at LA Hwy 74 in Ascension Parish. I feel that this project could be done at relatively little cost. The MPO along with the DOTD combined funds could make this project a reality.

I would appreciate you contacting me regarding this matter at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eddie J. Lambert".

Eddie J. Lambert
Representative
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