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Mr. Thomas Byron, Chair
 Interstate 75 Relief Task Force
 Intermodal Services Development
 Florida Department of Transportation
 605 Suwannee Street
 Tallahassee, FL 32399

Legislative ID# 160199F

RE: Interstate 75 Relief Project Recommendations

Dear Chair Byron:

At its June 27, 2016 meeting, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area received a presentation on the Interstate 75 Relief Project from the Florida Department of Transportation System Planning Office staff. At the conclusion of discussion of the Interstate 75 Relief Project, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area approved a motion to:

Authorize the Chair to sign a letter to the Interstate 75 Relief Task Force with a recommendation that the Interstate 75 Relief Task Force include in its report to the Florida Department of Transportation:

1. *recommendations that are consistent with the Alachua County and City of Gainesville comprehensive plans and Year 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan; and*
2. *a recommendation to amend state statutes to enable the Florida Department of Transportation to allocate State Highway System/Strategic Intermodal System funds to projects on local-maintained facilities that provide congestion relief to adjacent State Highway System/Strategic Intermodal System facilities.*

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Scott Koons, AICP, Executive Director at 352.955.2200, extension 101.

Sincerely,

Helen K. Warren, Chair
 Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization
 for the Gainesville Urbanized Area

xc: Huiwei Shen, Florida Department of Transportation Systems Planning Manager
 Alison Stettner, Florida Department of Transportation Turnpike Planning Manager
 James Green, Florida Department of Transportation District 2 Liaison

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