MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Thursday, March 30, 2006 12:52 p.m. Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Philip LaJoy, Chair of the House Standing Committee on Transportation, and Senator Jud Gilbert, Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Transportation, called this Joint Meeting of the Committees to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Casperson, Nitz, Wenke, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Gleason, Leland, Condino, Tobocman. (16/17)

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Meyer. (1/17)

Representative Casperson made a motion to excuse absent members, supported by Representative Gosselin. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

Chair LaJoy welcomed Representative Steve Tobocman of the 12th House Legislative District as a member of the Standing Committee on Transportation.

The following individuals spoke to the Committee regarding the Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) Study:

Marge Byington, representing the Detroit River Tunnel Project

Anthony Adams, representing Detroit Mayor Kilpatrick's office, in opposition

John Nagy, Jesse Nagy, and Dena Nagy, representing the Delray Community Council, support DRIC process

Karen Kavanaugh, representing the Gateway Community Development Collaborative

Brian Massey, Member of Parliament, Windsor West

Craig Ruff, representing Public Sector Consultants, and Gary Wolfram, representing Hillsdale College (referring to a report prepared about the Ambassador Bridge)

Cards were submitted by the following individuals:

Caddie Nagy, representing the Delray Community

Krystal Nagy, representing the Delray Community

Fr. Tom Sepulveda, representing St. Anne Church, in support of the DRIC Study

Ilona Varga, Wayne County Commissioner, in support

Bill Black, representing the Teamsters

Marcell Todd, Jr., representing the Detroit City Planning Commission, in support

Alison Benjamin, representing Southwest Detroit

Christina Guzman, Southwest Detroit resident, in support

Evelyn Hoey, Southwest Detroit resident, in support

Amy Amadore, Southwest Detroit resident

Anna Yott, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation

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Brian Crimmins, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation Tom Cervonak, representing Peoples Community Services, in support Kathy Wendler, representing herself, in support Nancy Sizer, representing herself, in support of DRIC process Deb Sumner, representing herself, in support

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair LaJoy declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 2:39 p.m.

Representative Philip LaJoy, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538