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INTRODUCED BY: DICKIE DUHE, COUNCILMAN, DISTRICT VI
'RAM' RAMCHANDRAN, COUNCILMAN, DISTRICT III

RESOLUTION NO. 5430

A resolution asking the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to study the feasibility of constructing center turn lanes on LA 48, the River Road, in St. Charles Parish, in Destrehan at the intersection of Schexnayder Lane.

WHEREAS, this area is presently a school zone for Destrehan High School with approximately 1400 students; and,

WHEREAS, on school days there are approximately 80 school buses, 300 teachers and 350 student drivers entering and exiting Schexnayder Lane and LA 48; and,

WHEREAS, this section of the highway serves as a main traffic artery for residents and increases the congestion during work hour traffic and school traffic resulting in a dangerous environment for traffic turning on and off LA 48; and,

WHEREAS, this is an evacuation route for school, business and residents of the area; and,

WHEREAS, turn lanes installed in other stretches of LA 48 have resulted as a benefit for area residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby ask the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to study the feasibility of constructing center turn lanes on LA 48, the River Road, in St. Charles Parish, in Destrehan at the intersection of Schexnayder Lane.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Senator Joel T. Chaisson, II, and Representative Gary L. Smith, Jr., asking that they support and take whatever steps are necessary to expedite this feasibility study.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

MARINO, FAUCHEUX, HILAIRE, RAMCHANDRAN, WALLS, BLACK,

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NAYS:

ABSENT: FABRE, MINNICH

And the resolution was declared adopted this <u>16th</u> day of <u>April</u>, 2007 to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

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