

1 WHEREAS, there are a growing number of citizens who believe that constructing
2 elevated interstate highways through urban cores of our cities were mistakes of the past and
3 should not be repeated; and

4 WHEREAS, research is necessary and creative solutions must be presented that will
5 mitigate traffic, improve infrastructure, generate economic benefits, and increase the
6 property value of those who reside in and around North Shreveport and the downtown
7 Shreveport areas; and

8 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Development should strategize
9 with all relevant partners in the community on how to best leverage a solution that inures to
10 the benefit of residents in the area; and

11 WHEREAS, this strategy should engage community stakeholders with relevant
12 information on how to stimulate growth of the community and it should also contemplate
13 efforts to minimize negative impacts on the local community; and

14 WHEREAS, foresight and strategic planning may result in a more economically
15 viable and locally beneficial solution; and

16 WHEREAS, members of the local community that will be directly affected by the
17 Interstate 49 North improvements deserve true community engagement and want to
18 contribute to improving the area in a way that is meaningful and minimally intrusive to long
19 standing residents.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
21 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Transportation and
22 Development to create a public input process that includes dialogue with local public
23 officials, local Shreveport residents, commercial and industrial district representatives,
24 educational institutions, and relevant or interested stakeholders and results in potential
25 strategies that will minimize the negative and maximize the positive impact on the North
26 Market Corridor as a result of the Interstate 49 North project completion.

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

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Transportation and Development to create a public input process that results in dialogue between local public officials, local Shreveport residents, commercial and industrial district representatives, educational institutions, and relevant or interested stakeholders to address the impact of the Interstate 49 North project on the North Market Corridor.