SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17

BY SENATOR BISHOP AND REPRESENTATIVE JIMMY HARRIS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to seek state and federal funds to construct noise barriers on Interstate 10 between Downman Road and Bullard Road in Orleans Parish.

WHEREAS, neighborhoods bordering Interstate 10 between Downman Road and Bullard Road in Orleans Parish are experiencing noise from traffic; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Development performs a noise study when a Type I project such as adding capacity to the interstate is to be constructed; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Traffic Noise Policy of the Department of Transportation and Development provides for consideration and construction of noise barriers when sufficient funds (federal or state) are appropriated by either the state or federal legislation specific to construction of a barrier; and

WHEREAS, barriers mandated by legislation may or may not be a part of a Type I project and will be designed in accordance with the legislation as to location, height, and other parameters; and

WHEREAS, if design parameters are not specified for barriers mandated by legislation, the Department of Transportation and Development will design the barrier to achieve a reasonable noise reduction in accordance with its Highway Traffic Noise Policy; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of highway traffic noise is needed on Interstate 10 between Downman Road and Bullard Road in Orleans Parish.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby request the Department of Transportation and Development to seek state and federal funds specifically for construction of noise barriers on Interstate 10 between Downman Road and Bullard Road in Orleans Parish.

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

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES