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January 27, 2014

The Honorable John A Perez, Speaker
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, California 95814

The Honorable Nancy Skinner, Chair
Assembly Committee on Budget
State Capitol, Room 6026
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

Dear Mr. Speaker and Madam Chair:

With your leadership, we have made difficult budget cuts. The choices we made and actions we took, along with an improving economy, have resulted in a California budget surplus for the first time in over a decade. The 2014-15 budget must continue to be fiscally responsible and stimulate economic development as we distance ourselves from past budget deficits. We believe now is the time to start addressing the state's \$64.6 billion in deferred maintenance needs.

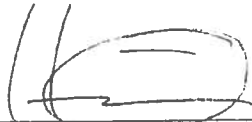
The Governor's Budget Proposal includes \$337 million in General Fund loan repayments to accelerate preservation and maintenance projects on both state highways and local roads. The Governor should be applauded for his commitment to strengthen California's crumbling infrastructure. According to the California Transportation Commission, 58% of California's roadways require rehabilitation or pavement maintenance, 20% of our bridges require major maintenance or prevention maintenance, and 6% require complete replacement.

As the Legislature continues to make prudent fiscal decisions, we the undersigned respectfully request your support to increase the Governor's proposal by budgeting an additional \$500 million of one-time funds for transportation infrastructure projects. We believe that this funding for "shovel ready" projects will lead to a beneficial multiplier effect in the state economy,

through the vital creation of new jobs and overdue investment in our transportation infrastructure.

Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 319-2031.

Sincerely,



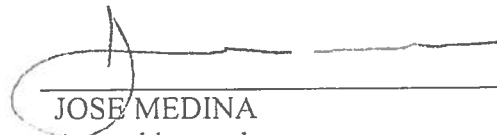
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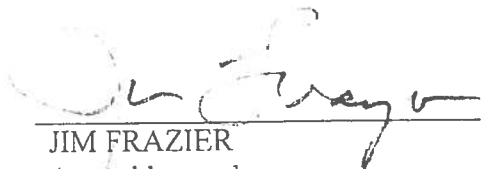
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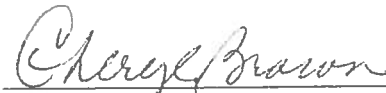
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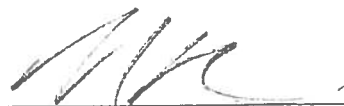
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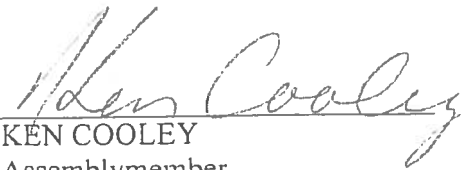
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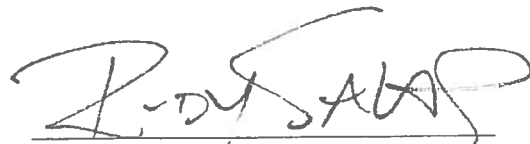
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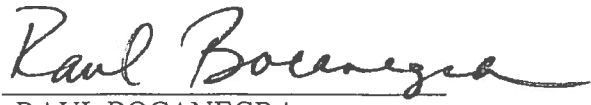
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Eighth District



RUDY SALAS
Assemblymember
Thirty-Second District

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RAUL BOCANEGRA
Assemblymember
Thirty-Ninth District

