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Board of Supervisors

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Toks Omishakin, Secretary of Transportation California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) 400 Capitol Mall, Suite 2340 Sacramento, CA 95814

Mr. Omishakin,

I write on behalf of the City of Norwalk, regarding a dangerous intersection where the I-105 Freeway abruptly ends at Studebaker Road, leading to a large number of collisions involving unaware drivers speeding through the intersection and crashing into the barricade and buildings across the street. In 2023 alone, there were 12 severe crashes at this location, including two fatalities. The medical building that used to operate on the other side of the road has since been closed due to the number of times it was struck by vehicles.

Last year, my office convened representatives from the City of Norwalk, Caltrans, and other agencies to find ways to work together to deliver safety improvements, and since then the City and Caltrans have been discussing what can be done. We are asking for the addition of safety improvements, such as more lighting, signage, and rumble strips, along the I-105 freeway leading up to this intersection <u>as soon as possible</u>, and that the State also make this location a priority for future funding.

The end of this freeway has been badly designed and will probably lead to more fatalities unless corrected. I'm hoping that under your direction, CalSTA will move swiftly to make meaningful changes for the safety and well-being of our residents.

Thank you for your continued leadership.

Sincerely,

JANICE HAHN

Supervisor, Fourth District

County of Los Angeles

CC: Hon. Blanca Pacheco, Assemblymember District 64

Hon. Bob Archuleta, State Senator District 30

Hon. Margarita Rios, Mayor of Norwalk

Tony Tavares, Caltrans Director

Gloria Roberts, Director of Caltrans District 7