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3 By Representatives DeMarco, Carns and Drake
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8 REQUESTING THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
9 (ALDOT) TO MODIFY PLANS FOR HIGHWAY 280 ACCESS.
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11 WHEREAS, in November 2012, ALDOT initially unveiled
12 a comprehensive plan (the "Initial Plan") for modifications to
13 27 intersections along the Highway 280 Corridor from Hollywood
14 Boulevard to Double Oak Mountain, including several
15 intersections with the City of Mountain Brook; and

16 WHEREAS, residents, business owners, and public
17 officials in the City of Mountain Brook have expressed great
18 concerns about certain aspects of the Initial Plan regarding
19 several intersections in Mountain Brook, particularly the ones
20 at Cherokee Road and the Hampton Inn, affecting the health,
21 safety, and welfare of its residents; and

22 WHEREAS, ALDOT requested that prior to the City of
23 Mountain Brook taking any formal position on the Initial Plan,
24 ALDOT be allowed to receive all public comments and do further
25 analysis of the Initial Plan, including on-the-ground

1 performance of the various traffic maneuvers with respect to
2 the newly designed intersections; and

3 WHEREAS, during the month of December 2012,
4 officials of the City of Mountain Brook had several meetings
5 with ALDOT and its representatives, as well as other state
6 officials, expressing their concerns and those of Mountain
7 Brook residents about the Initial Plan; and

8 WHEREAS, ALDOT further investigated and analyzed the
9 plan during the month of December, and based on its findings,
10 revised the Initial Plan accordingly; and

11 WHEREAS, on January 22, 2013, ALDOT presented its
12 revised plan (the "Revised Plan") to representatives and
13 officials of the City of Mountain Brook during which there was
14 particular focus, questioning, and comment about various
15 intersections within the City of Mountain Brook; and

16 WHEREAS, certain aspects of the Revised Plan for
17 Highway 280 presented by ALDOT on January 22, 2013, with
18 regard to the intersections at Cherokee Road and the Hampton
19 Inn, do not permit signalized left turn maneuvers accessing
20 Highway 280, and require drivers to enter the highway with
21 unimpeded traffic flow in which they are required to navigate
22 through four lanes of traffic to reach a signalized
23 intersection to make a U-turn on Highway 280, raising the
24 concern for the health, safety, and welfare of its residents
25 who will travel on Highway 280 at grave peril; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
2 THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That we hereby request that the
3 Revised ALDOT Plan be further modified to permit some type of
4 signalized left turn maneuvers at the Cherokee Road and
5 Hampton Inn intersections for those entering Highway 280.