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50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2012

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERFORM A
TRAFFIC STUDY FOR THE SOUTH SAINT FRANCIS DRIVE-WEST ZIA ROAD
INTERSECTION IN SANTA FE.

WHEREAS, Saint Francis drive in Santa Fe, a major
thoroughfare through the city, which becomes United States
highway 84/285 north, is under the control of the department of
transportation; and

WHEREAS, west Zia road is a major east-west street in the
city, which carries traffic to several subdivisions and schools
in the area; and

WHEREAS, as main transportation arteries, these roads have
a high daily volume of traffic; and

WHEREAS, the railroad tracks for the New Mexico rail
runner express are on west Zia road, just a few feet west of

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1 Saint Francis drive-west Zia road intersection; and

2 WHEREAS, the New Mexico rail runner express' scheduled
3 train runs often coincide with times of intensified use of both
4 of these major roads at the beginning and end of work days, and
5 its blockage of east-west traffic affects the movement of
6 traffic on Saint Francis drive;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
8 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department
9 of transportation be requested to provide a traffic study of
10 the intersection of Saint Francis drive and west Zia road for
11 current traffic conditions and projected twenty-year traffic
12 conditions; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the traffic study include a
14 signal timing analysis, particularly in relation to the New
15 Mexico rail runner express, and an intersection geometric
16 improvement analysis for improved operations and safety; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
18 transmitted to the department of transportation.