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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING SAFETY DESIGN MODIFICATIONS TO PACE BOULEVARD (SR 292) FROM BARRANCAS AVENUE TO MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE (FPID 439735-1-52-01); AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as "FDOT") is currently designing the resurfacing and restriping of Pace Boulevard (SR 292) from Barrancas Avenue to Massachusetts Avenue in Escambia County, FPID 439735-1-52-01 (hereinafter referred to as "the Project"); and

WHEREAS, Pace Boulevard bisects a transportation disadvantaged community where 20% of the residents are without access to a vehicle, the median household income is less than \$34,000 annually, and 44% of the residents within ¼-mile of Pace Boulevard are below the age of 18 or over 65 years and require transportation options other than a vehicle; and

WHEREAS, between 2016 and 2021, 1,253 crashes occurred on this corridor, including 679 injuries and 13 fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the FDOT Context Classification for this corridor is C4-Urban General, which allows a reduced speed limit and lane width per the FDOT 2020 Design Manual; and

WHEREAS, the County requests the FDOT incorporate safety design modifications for the Project with a reduced speed limit and lane width to encourage safer speeds and increased buffers between vehicles and pedestrians.

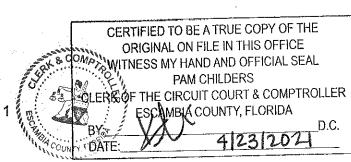
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above stated recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The Board hereby supports safety design modifications for the Project with a reduced speed limit and lane width to encourage safer speeds and increased buffers between vehicles and pedestrians.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> The Board hereby authorizes the Chairman to sign the attached letter expressing the Board's support for safety design modifications for the Project.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.



SECTION 5. The Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution and attached letter to Phillip Gainer, Florida Department of Transportation, District 3 Secretary.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of April

Date Executed 4 22 2021

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Robert Bender, Chairman

Pam Childers
Con Clerk of the Circuit Court

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency.

By/Title: Kristin D. Hual, SACA

Date: April 12, 2021