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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, According to the Centers for Disease Control and
3 Prevention, motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death
4 in the United States; in 2014, more than 33,700 people died
5 from motor vehicle crashes; for every death there are numerous
6 devastating injuries and costly emergency room visits; and

7 WHEREAS, Drivers on the corridor of I-80 between the exit
8 to I-55 in Joliet and the exit to Route 30 in New Lenox, suffer
9 high rates of congestion; the corridor has witnessed a total of
10 eight fatalities and 1,456 crashes since 2011; and

11 WHEREAS, These traffic accidents and the resulting
12 injuries and deaths are tragedies for the families, the
13 communities of the victims involved, and for the people of
14 Illinois; and

15 WHEREAS, The Illinois Department of Transportation is
16 administering a study of I-80 from Ridge Road to US Route 30 in
17 preparation for the reconstruction of I-80 structures in that
18 corridor; the reconstruction may not occur for several years;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Motorists would be safer and would take more
21 precautions while driving if they had advanced knowledge of the

1 congestion and dangers associated with the above-mentioned
2 corridor along I-80; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
4 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE
5 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge the Illinois Department of
6 Transportation to erect signage notifying motorists of
7 congestion and possible dangers along Interstate 80 between the
8 exit to I-55 in Joliet and Route 30 in New Lenox; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
11 delivered to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation
12 and the Mayor of the City of Joliet.