



## KILLEARN HOMES ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Kim Stephens  
Florida Department of Transportation  
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Dear Ms. Stephens,

At the last Killearn Homes Association board meeting on May 3, 2016, RS&H Consulting firm and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) presented the conclusion of their year-long study in which they identified several options for alleviating current and future traffic congestion along the Thomasville Road corridor and the adjacent I-10 interchange.


After having studied the proposed options, we, the board members of KHA, are deeply concerned about the impact of these options on our neighborhood, especially a particularly egregious option that would create a four-lane connection through our community.

Killearn Estates was the first planned community in Tallahassee with underground utilities that preserved the beauty and wildlife of the land. Now, over fifty years later, Killearn retains that beauty and continues to be the premier neighborhood it was destined to be. As you drive throughout the neighborhood, you will find residents walking or jogging, sitting on benches and blankets at our lakes and parks, and playing in their yards, simply enjoying the natural beauty that has become synonymous with Killearn Estates. Major traffic corridors would destroy this way of life for more than 12,000 residents and their guests.

All property owners and residents of KHA are strongly opposed to any attempt to four-lane the streets in our community and we discourage all efforts that would create higher traffic counts, decrease the safety of our pedestrians, and reduce property values in any way. We urge FDOT and our local commissioners and government officials to explore alternatives that are less intrusive.

We welcome the opportunity to work alongside FDOT and our city and county commissioners to develop an amicable resolution to this matter. You may reach me through our association's Executive Director, LeAnn Sbordone, by phone at (850) 893-3468 or by email at [leann@killearn.org](mailto:leann@killearn.org).

On Behalf of the KHA Board of Directors,

  
John Paul Bailey, President  
Killearn Homes Association

cc: City of Tallahassee Mayor and Commissioners (all) and Rick Fernandez, City Manager  
Leon County Commissioners (all) and Vince Long, County Administrator  
Betsy Barfield, Capital Regional Transportation Planning Agency Chair