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H.R. No. 1295

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The engineering firms of Cobb Fendley & Associates
2 and Demopoulos & Ferguson Associates, Inc., are in the final stages
3 of completing a feasibility study on Long Point Road for the City of
4 Houston and in conjunction with the Super Neighborhood Councils;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Studies of various alternatives for the
7 reconstruction of Long Point Road have been presented by the
8 engineering firms, and those alternatives and other proposals have
9 been considered at public meetings; and

10 WHEREAS, Major thoroughfare improvement has been a capital
11 project since 1994; and

12 WHEREAS, Given the constraints of acquiring rights-of-way
13 and the limited availability of funds, it is incumbent upon all
14 stakeholders to work in concert to identify all available sources
15 of funds for the final design engineering so that construction can
16 begin according to schedule and the urgent need for improved
17 mobility can be met as soon as possible; and

18 WHEREAS, Under further collaborative efforts among the
19 parties involved, streetscape design and landscape design
20 performed in partnership with Long Point property owners and the
21 Spring Branch Super Neighborhood Councils would ensure that the
22 project's design is balanced with the need for mobility, safety,
23 and environmental soundness for the community; and

24 WHEREAS, To meet these various needs, local stakeholders have

1 expressly stated a preference for design plans that would require,
2 wherever possible, a four-lane divided roadway with 11-foot traffic
3 lanes, 12-foot esplanades, and five-foot sidewalks within an
4 80-foot right-of-way and with additional rights-of-way as needed
5 for major intersections, and the construction of a 36-inch
6 underground water main installed along the center of Long Point
7 from Campbell to Conrad Sauer so as not to impede traffic; and

8 WHEREAS, These parties also have expressed a desire for the
9 final design plans to include extending the ending boundary of the
10 Cobb Fendley & Associates design from Bingle Road to Hollister
11 Road, and changing the Demopulos & Ferguson Associates, Inc.,
12 beginning boundary to Campbell Road instead of Bingle Road; and

13 WHEREAS, The process to-date has provided individual
14 property owners and neighborhood associations ample opportunity
15 for public input, and those stakeholders have responded
16 accordingly; and

17 WHEREAS, Long Point Road redevelopment is an issue
18 passionately supported by Congressman John Culberson, Senator Jon
19 Lindsay, Senator John Whitmire, Representative Dwayne Bohac,
20 Representative Jessica Farrar, and Representative Beverly Woolley;
21 now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
23 Legislature hereby strongly encourage the City of Houston to
24 redevelop Long Point Road.