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Dear Members of the Louisiana Legislature,

Over the last few months, we have traveled the state and listened to what people have to say about Louisiana's transportation system. One thing is certain. Roads are a non-partisan issue and support for properly funding our transportation system is coming from all corners of the state and everywhere in between.

We are Driving Louisiana Forward, a grassroots effort aimed at properly funding our state transportation system. We believe Louisiana can address its transportation funding crisis by shifting existing money without raising new state taxes or fees. We support a legislative package this session that calls for shifting transportation-related taxes and user fees from the state's general fund into the Transportation Trust Fund – monies that should have been dedicated to building and maintaining our state's transportation grid all along.

SB 258 by Sen. Ellington and **HB 722** by Rep. Quezaire would shift sales taxes from vehicles and vehicle parts and truck registration fees from the general fund to the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF). The bills would also use the general fund instead of the TTF to pay DOTD employee benefits and state police traffic control.

Shifting these monies alone would mean an additional \$400 million dedicated to building and maintaining our state's transportation infrastructure.

***You can help drive Louisiana forward.
Please support SB 258 and HB 722.***

Signed,
Supporters of Driving Louisiana Forward