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Mr. Don Reeb  
President  
McKownville Improvement Association  
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Dear Mr. Reeb:

Chairman John L. Buono has asked me to respond to your September 8, 2005, letter regarding the Thruway Authority's Albany Corridor Study.

As you know, the Thruway Authority completed a comprehensive study of the Albany Corridor between Thruway Interchanges 21A and 25A. As part of this study, transportation problems have been identified and evaluated. Many alternative improvements to address these problems were also examined, including a flyover ramp addressed in your petition. At this point in the study, the Authority is considering all practical alternatives. The next step is to conduct an environmental review that evaluates potential transportation alternatives in terms of how well they address the problems identified in the corridor and their potential impacts. During this review, the public will be afforded opportunities for input on alternatives and the process.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wendy Allen".

Wendy Allen  
Director  
Department of Planning Services

cc: Chairman John L. Buono