



February 14, 2010

The Honorable Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa  
200 North Spring Street, Room 300  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**RE: Support of Los Angeles "30/10 Initiative"**

Dear Mayor Villaraigosa:

Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic (FAST) would like to add our voice in support of the "30/10 initiative" as a crucial component of a comprehensive plan to address Los Angeles County's traffic within the next decade.

FAST is a public/private non-profit coalition of business, education, labor and neighborhood organizations dedicated to improving Los Angeles' mobility in the short-term (i.e. the next three to five years) with innovative and cost-effective improvements to our current road infrastructure and increased use of public transit.

The 12 projects in the 30/10 initiative are part of both the voter-approved Measure R initiative supported by over two-thirds of the voters in Los Angeles County in November 2008, and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's 2009 Long Range Transportation Plan unanimously adopted by the MTA Board of Directors. These projects represent transit solutions throughout the Los Angeles County region.

Measure R transit projects will produce over 120,000 construction jobs and at least 2,800 permanent jobs operating and maintaining an expanded transit system. These projects will also stimulate private investment of new business and housing along the planned right-of-ways, which will create additional construction and permanent jobs. The multiplier effect of these new jobs will help contribute even more funds for transit through new sales and property tax revenues.

Measure R was a historic \$40 billion investment in the future of our community – now, the 30/10 initiative gives us an opportunity to partner with the federal government and private sector to accelerate completion of 12 major transit projects that will transform Los Angeles. Again, we support the 30/10 initiative in conjunction with a comprehensive plan to improve our current roadways, which was also envisioned in Measure R. FAST looks forward to working with you to bring clean energy jobs, environmental improvements, and sustainability to the Los Angeles region. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (213) 448-2900.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director  
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