

## SAMPLE Lawmaker letter No. 2

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Dear (lawmaker),

I am writing to ask you to support proper funding of transportation in Florida. Clearly, there are many competing interests vying for limited state dollars as there are during every legislative session. But because transportation makes almost every thing we do possible, it deserves to be a higher priority than it currently is. All you have to do is drive (worst congested road in your area) during (most congest time of the day) to know how serious the gridlock problem has become.

Transportation is not a competing budget priority; it is one that makes the others possible. I ask that you give it the same attention and consideration to is as you do education and other legitimate functions of government.

I ask that you consider raising user fees, work with your colleagues to come up with some innovative approaches to increasing transportation funding, or at the very least begin a meaningful conversation about how best to meet our state's transportation needs.