

PETITION

In Opposition to the Closing of the Existing Northbound I-94 Connector to Pine Grove Avenue

WHEREAS, State and Federal officials announced, in December 2010, a revised plan to downsize the expansion of the plaza from 56 acres to 16 acres, and to cut the cost from \$586 million to \$300 million. The downscaled plans call for the closing of the current existing north connector from I-94 / I-69 to north Port Huron.

WHEREAS, the new south plaza corridor, as the sole exit from I-94 to Pine Grove Ave., will create potential safety risks due to the volume of cars, busses, semi trailers and campers that would all be concentrated in this area.

WHEREAS, we, the citizens are concerned about the reduction of access for local traffic continuing north to Pine Grove Avenue, including emergency response vehicles, as well as ambulance service which is headquartered in downtown Port Huron. Service to areas north of downtown Port Huron could be furthered hampered by this added congestion.

NOW THEREFORE, we, the following property owners and residents of Port Huron and areas to the North, do hereby petition to Kirk T. Steudle, Director of Michigan Department of Transportation, to keep the existing connector from I-94 to north Port Huron (Pine Grove Ave.) open. This will give drivers the option of getting off at the new exit, or for those traveling farther north, to use the existing north bound connector, keeping Pine Grove Ave. from being so congested and creating safety hazards.

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