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The Honorable Michael Shoemaker Ohio Senate Statehouse Columbus, Ohio 43215 APR 0 9 2002

Dear Senator Shoemaker:

Thank you for forwarding a letter from Mayor Robert Jones, Village of Oak Hill, regarding the safety of State Route 93 between the Village of Oak Hill and the City of Jackson.

Our ODOT District 9 Studies Section has added this to their Highway Safety Program. They have already completed some portions of their study of this area and have implemented improvements, and have recommended improvements to the two curves located in the vicinity of Waterloo Coal Company. "Slippery When Wet" signs have been installed in advance of these curves in each direction. Our crews are in the process of installing oversized "Night Arrows" with flashing beacons and down lights for the south bound direction to these two curves. These signs will be replacing the large arrows that are presently located in the middle of these curves and are visible as you approach the curves. Our crews will also be changing all of the other signs associated with these two curves to signs with high intensity sheeting to make them more visible. Our Studies Section will be continuing to study this section of highways as part of our Highway Safety Program and will take the necessary steps to implement any other improvements as they are determined.

Again, thank you for your interest in this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact the Office of Legislative Services at 466-8480.

Respectfully,

Gordon Proctor

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