

Dear Chair Kunze, Vice Chair Reineke, Ranking Member Antonio and Members of the Transportation Committee,

I am writing to request your support of S.B 155. I moved into the Waterford Village development in 2015. What drew me to that area was the clean, quiet, family friendly environment. It is a great neighborhood that feels safe, spacious, and removed from the hustle and bustle of busier areas of Brunswick and Strongsville.

However, I fear that the wonderful neighborhood that I now call home will be impacted in a negative way by putting the interchange in this RESIDENTIAL area. The following are my concerns...

1. Safety

- a) What kind of unsavory people will be driving through our RESIDENTIAL area? Will this interchange lead to more crime because of quick access to our children and homes - and then quick getaways?
- b) Will there be more reckless and distracted drivers cutting through our RESIDENTIAL neighborhoods where kids play?

2. Truck Route

- a) Will Boston Road turn into a truck route contributing to increased congestion, noise and more accidents in our RESIDENTIAL area?

3. Loss of Homes

- a) People have been living in their home for years and planned on living there for the rest of their lives. Some people have invested way more into their homes than what I believe will be fairly given to them through eminent domain - not to mention that the memories, families and friendships built in those homes are Priceless. This is just Not Right to do this to these people.
- b) Will tearing down people's homes turn Boston Road into a strip of gas stations, fast food restaurants, and convenience stores - devaluing the remaining homes and destroying what is left of a once quiet and removed RESIDENTIAL area?

As you can see, I strongly believe that an interchange does Not belong in my neighborhood. I ask you to think if it was YOUR home being taken or YOUR neighborhood that was being compromised, then how would You feel? If the roles were reversed and a city imposed THEIR will on YOUR town, and you not even having a say in it, would you be ok with that? Is this not an example of government overreach? It is time to do what is right and let Strongsville solve their traffic issues within their own city limits. Please put a stop to the I-71 Interchange by supporting S.B 155.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Trunzo