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The Honorable Henry McMaster
State House
1100 Gervais Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor McMaster,

Hampton County is requesting funding assistance to undertake a project known as the Exit 38 Interchange Improvements Project. The Exit 38 Interchange Improvements Project is in the Town of Yemassee at Interstate 95 and is the only Interstate exit in Hampton County.

Hampton County Council and the Town Council of Yemassee see the benefit for future growth, the ability to encourage additional traffic to exit on Exit 38, and improve the safety and aesthetics of the exit. Hampton County Council and the Town Council of Yemassee recognize the economic development impact that will be possible with these improvements.

The Exit 38 Interchange Improvements Project includes lighting, landscaping, and drainage. Exit 38 is currently one of a small number of interchanges that does not have lighting. The proposed landscaping includes crepe myrtles, palmetto trees, breeze grass, and flower beds; with the main focus on landscaping at each ramp quadrant. Adding drop-inlets at the interchange will help increase drainage.

While we have secured some funding from the South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Hampton County "C" Fund Committee, we respectfully request \$200,000 for preliminary engineering costs for this most worthy project.

Your assistance with this important project would be greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (803) 914-2101.

Sincerely,

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