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Senate Committee on Transportation Capitol Building 300 SW 10th Avenue Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Senate Committee on Transportation,

My name is Steve Rockers, and I am writing in support of House Bill 2263 designating a future Interchange at K-10 (South Lawrence Trafficway) and Wakarusa Drive as the Kris Norton Memorial Interchange.

I worked with Kris for over 30 years at the Kansas Department of Transportation in the Bureau of Road Design. Kris was a good friend and colleague. Kris was someone I could always turn to for help on the design and management of projects across the State of Kansas.

For 25 years, Kris lived in the neighborhood that this interchange will serve. During his involvement with the project development, he actively participated at public meetings with his neighbors and the public at large on how best to serve both the needs of the K-10 and local traffic. Due to his hard work to help assure that this complicated interchange will accommodate the many needs and interests served by this interchange, it is more than appropriate to designate the K-10 and Wakarusa Drive Interchange as the Kris Norton Memorial Interchange.

Thank you for your time and consideration of naming this interchange after Kris Norton.

Sincerely,

Steve Rockers, P.E.