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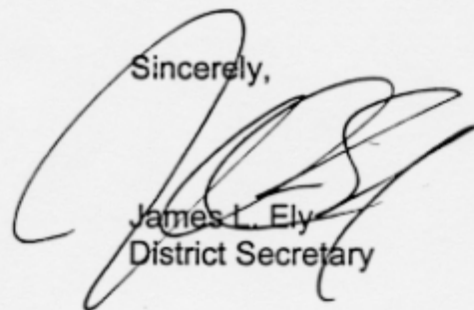
Division of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
Attention: Col. Christopher A. Knight  
Neil Kirkman Building  
2900 Apalachee Parkway  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0500

Dear Col. Knight:

On behalf of Florida Department of Transportation, Turnpike District, thank you for Florida Highway Patrol's participation in the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Suncoast Parkway Project on August 10, 2001. I would like to thank a few of your employees who contributed to the success of our event. Captain Mike McElreath, Lt. Greg Lamont, and Lt. J. Richburg attended our site security meetings in the weeks prior to the ribbon cutting ceremony. Their suggestions were invaluable for our event planning and the safety of all involved. Other FHP officers and motorcycle officers were present throughout the morning of the event.

The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Suncoast Parkway and the roadway's subsequent opening on August 11 were successful due to the assistance from your staff.

Sincerely,



James L. Ely  
District Secretary

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cc: Lt. Pat Santangelo, Troop K  
Lt. Sterling King, Troop C