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August 21, 2025

Ms. Rickelle Williams, City Manager City of Fort Lauderdale 100 North Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

RE: Traffic Control Device Noncompliance

Dear Ms. Williams:

You were previously notified via Engineering and Operations Memorandum No. 25-01 regarding the need to comply with the Florida Department of Transportation's Design Manual (FDM), FHWA's Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and the Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction and Maintenance for Streets and Highways (2023 Greenbook) on all public roads.

The Department's Memorandum served as official notification to remedy all noncompliance across the State. However, the Department is providing you an additional notification by location that the pavement markings listed below are in violation of FDOT's traffic control device standards, which include the FHWA's MUTCD, the 2025 FDOT Design Manual and the 2023 Florida Greenbook. Section 316.0745, Florida Statutes requires removal of these pavement markings immediately.

The Department has identified an initial list of the following noncompliant locations in your area:

- East of Sebastian Street and S.R. A1A/Seabreeze Boulevard
- Breakers Avenue and Riomar Street
- Breakers Avenue and Terramar Street
- E Las Olas Boulevard and Almond Avenue

Many local jurisdictions received this Memorandum and immediately began undertaking actions to ensure compliance and we appreciate their cooperation. We have not heard from the City of Fort Lauderdale regarding whether you intend to comply.

These pavement markings must be removed by the City of Fort Lauderdale by September 4, 2025 Please contact the Department by September 4, 2025 and let us know if you intend to comply. If we do not hear from you, the pavement markings referenced above will be removed by the Department of Transportation without further notice.

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You are further notified that if the markings are removed by the Department, all costs associated with the removal will be assessed against the City of Fort Lauderdale. You may avoid these costs by removing the pavement markings and then notifying the Department of compliance immediately.

Please note that the Department will pursue withholding of state funds as permitted by the law should the City of Fort Lauderdale decide not to comply.

You are further notified that you may file a request for an administrative proceeding pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes as set forth in the enclosed Notice of Administrative Hearing Rights within 14 days. More details will be provided should you elect to proceed with a hearing. Please be advised that the hearing will not involve a request for an exception or waiver to permit the nonconforming pavement markings to remain in place. The Department has already reviewed the pavement markings at the location(s) mentioned above and determined that the pavement markings will not be allowed.

We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Braun, P.E. District 4 Secretary

Enclosure

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