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TO: Freeholder Gene Feyl, DOT Officials
FROM: Mayor P. Ted Husa
REF: Pedestrian Overpass at Savage Rd. and Rt. 46
DATE: December 17, 2008

Dear Freeholder Feyl and DOT Officials,

I have reviewed the recommendation made in the recent Township Engineer's memo, referencing NJDOT proposals for the signal placement on Savage Rd. in conjunction with the construction of the pedestrian overpass. I concur with his and the Traffic Task Force's findings that, first of all, the placement of two stop signs at the problem area will be a reasonable, and cost effective resolution of the traffic signal disagreement matter, and second, that the continued examination of the possible re-alignment of Savage Rd. is desirable.

Additionally, I reviewed all the other new proposals in that area with Business Administrator Marie Goble, Chief Wagner and Sgt. Donnelly. Removing the two-way traffic where Savage Road abuts Rt. 46 was viewed as not at all desirable. The proposal to move the entrance to Savage Road on close examination by our traffic expert appears to have merit and make sense. It looks to make this intersection safer.

As these traffic pattern changes are contemplated and studied, please keep in mind that Denville in addition to wanting to make changes that improve traffic flows also strongly wants to promote the "Share the road" concept. That is to widen shoulders for safer bicycle and pedestrian use also. Wherever changes are ultimately made, it is our strong desire to widen all roads to include the appropriate 12-foot shoulder to insure bicycle and pedestrian safety. We hope car, bicycle and pedestrian use will be considered on Rt. 46 and Savage Rd.