Traffic safety around our schools remains an important issue for many of our students and their families in all communities of Los Angeles. During peak times of drop-off and pick-up before and after the school day, drivers and pedestrians are often challenged by limited traffic control that can be addressed with the proper engineering tools.

Prior to the construction of the Glendale Freeway, State Route 2 ran along the corridor of Myra Avenue, Fountain Avenue and Hyperion Avenue. The old SR2 was heavily used by both community and commuter traffic, and it is no different today, with significant traffic during peak hours.

Thomas Starr King Middle School, located in the Franklin Hills community, faces a daily challenge at the intersection of Fountain Avenue and Myra Avenue, where there is constant back-up created by the lack of a left-turn phase for westbound traffic on Fountain Avenue. Installation of a signalized turn phase will be of great benefit to all those who use this intersection, creating a safer area for both pedestrians and vehicle traffic.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Department of Transportation staff be requested to report to the Transportation Committee on the feasibility of and costs associated with installing a left-turn phase arrow for westbound traffic at the intersection of Fountain Avenue at Myra Avenue.

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