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Sheriff Carmine Marceno
Lee County Sheriff's Office

Chief Anthony Sizemore
City of Cape Coral Police Department

Subject: Burnt Store Road Enforcement and Safety

Dear Sheriff Marceno and Chief Sizemore,

I am reaching out regarding the growing safety concerns along Burnt Store Road. As you are aware, we have seen an increase in crashes throughout the County-particularly along this corridor, including the recent tragic loss of three civilians just two weeks ago. Unfortunately, many of these crashes can be attributed to reckless behavior and driver error, further highlighting the need for continued enforcement and education efforts.

The Lee Board of County Commissioners has directed the County Manager to coordinate with County DOT staff to identify and implement immediate safety measures, while also engaging with the City of Cape Coral and State on potential funding for long-term improvements. Burnt Store Road is a major north-south roadway supporting both residential and commercial traffic and is also a critical evacuation route for both Lee and Charlotte County. We will continue working toward long-term solutions and commend your agencies' commitment to the welfare and safety of all who use this roadway and others across the County.

Respectfully,

Cecil L. Pendergrass
Vice Chairman
Lee County Board of County Commissioners
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