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State Rep. Pam Gaia yesterday said she favors the north section of Interstate 240 alternative for the completion of the controversial I-40 expressway over other proposals, including an elevated highway, which would take the interstate through midtown.

"After studying several of the proposed alternatives for the completion of the I-40 expressway, I find the northern loop (of I-240) alternative to be the most economi-

cally and environmentally sound."

Miss Gaia, who represents District 89 in midtown, said 99 per cent of all traffic expected to use the expressway is estimated to be local traffic.

"This means that 1 per cent of the traffic which would use such an expressway would originate and end outside the city limits. This is hardly enough traffic to warrant the highway for interstate travel or to expedite travel through the city."

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