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Dear Mayor and City Council members,

I want to thank the Transportation Department and the City Council for making it a goal to have zero traffic fatalities in our city. I am glad to see that Fair Oaks Avenue and the intersection of Washington and Fair Oaks are a priority for safety improvements. As many of you know, the neighbors are on N. Fair Oaks Ave north of Washington Boulevard are deeply concerned about the speed of traffic on their street, and for good reasons. The Pintoresca Park and Library and the Boys and Girls Club are located in this part of the city, with children and families coming and going constantly. Elderly and disabled people also reside here. There were over 65 accidents within six months in 2023. Since 2021, there have been seven traffic-related deaths on the corner of Washington and Fair Oaks, the highest number of any place in our city. Tragically, a Latino member of our community told us he lost his only daughter at this dangerous intersection. She was the only member of his family to graduate from college. The son of another neighbor, Wilma Mitchell told us that her son was hit by a car on this intersection but fortunately survived. That's why we are proposing a complete street redesign changing two lanes each way into one lane each way with a center turn lane. We want to make this street pedestrian-friendly and walkable so that people feel safe and businesses can flourish. As the Council and the Transportation Department are considering how to implement its plan to make our city more pedestrian friendly. I urge you to support ways slow traffic and make N. Fair Oaks safer.

I also urge you to support Green Ways to make our city safer and bike friendly. As an avid cyclist, I want to see more north south bike corridors so I can bike safely to city council meetings!

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