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Nicole Garcia
Queens Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation
120-55 Queens Boulevard, Room 285
Kew Gardens, New York 11484

RE: **Request for the Installation of Speed Reducers at Intersections and Areas around Schools and Day Care Centers be Expedited**

Dear Commissioner Garcia:

At the March 1, 2022, the meeting of the Transportation Committee, a request was made to urge the NYC Department of Transportation to prioritize and expedite requests for feasibility studies for the installation of speed reducers at intersections and areas around schools, day care centers and senior centers.

The Transportation Committee has been requesting updates since 2021 on a request for a feasibility study for the installation of a speed reducer on 58th Street from 39th Avenue to Woodside Avenue (DOT 433629-RSM3) in Woodside that has not one, but two schools and it is still not implemented.

As you are aware, school children and families are one of the most vulnerable pedestrians and continue to be at risk for injuries or worse. Community Board 2 feels strongly that school blocks should always be given a high priority in all traffic studies.

We respectfully request these studies be expedited to ensure the overall safety of school children and the public.

We appreciate your review of this matter and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Debra Markell Kleinert
District Manager

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cc: Morry Galonoy, Chairperson, Community Board 2
Sheila Lewandowski, Chair, Transportation Committee
Thomas Mituzas, Co-Chair, Transportation Committee
Gretha Suarez, NYC Department of Transportation

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