TAKU / CAMPBELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 24-001

Subject: Request for Traffic Safety Measures on West 72nd Avenue, Anchorage, AK

Date: September 16, 2024

Whereas, West 72nd Avenue is a primary route for the Anchorage School District (ASD) buses to Campbell School, which has been used for over 20 years as it leads directly into the parking lot of the school; and

Whereas, the residents of West 72nd Avenue have observed excessive speeding in excess of the posted speed limits, creating a hazard for school buses, pedestrians, and residents alike; and

Whereas, despite the presence of flashing school zone lights on Arctic Boulevard, many drivers turn onto West 72nd Avenue and resume speeds exceeding 25 mph, undermining the safety of the school zone; and

Whereas, previous measures, such as the temporary use of portable flashing speed limit machines, have provided only short-term relief from speeding but have not resulted in sustained improvements in traffic safety; and

Whereas, the safety of children, pedestrians, and residents along West 72nd Avenue is a top priority for the Taku / Campbell Community Council, and efforts to address this concern have not yielded sufficient long-term solutions;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Taku / Campbell Community Council requests the Municipality of Anchorage, in coordination with the Anchorage Police Department and the Municipal Traffic Engineering Division, to take immediate action to address the issue of excessive speeding on West 72nd Avenue.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Taku / Campbell Community Council supports the installation of permanent traffic-calming measures, such as speed humps, radar feedback signs, or other appropriate solutions, to ensure the safety of students, pedestrians, and residents along West 72nd Avenue.

Be It Finally Resolved, that the Taku / Campbell Community Council formally submits this resolution to the Municipality of Anchorage and requests that priority be given to this issue in upcoming traffic safety projects.

Endorsement:

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President