August 10, 2012

Honorable Maura McCarthy
Queens Borough Commissioner
NYC Department of Transportation (DOT)
120-55 Queens Boulevard, 2nd Floor
Kew Gardens NY 11424

Dear Commissioner McCarthy,

I write on behalf of the community of Sunnyside & Long Island City regarding the need for traffic calming measures at the intersection of Borden Avenue & Greenpoint Avenue, westbound road. Residents informed my office that motorists, turning into or driving along Borden Avenue, go past this intersection at significant speeds without yielding to pedestrians and cyclists. A significant number of car accidents at this intersection have been reported due to the lack of appropriate traffic light timing and speed control. This area has a high demand for safety. A large number of elderly people and children live in this area, and a number of congregation places and schools are located in the vicinity.

I request the Department of Transportation (DOT) study the possibility of installing a Red Light Camera and implementing a Leading Pedestrian Interval at this intersection. This area is considered unsafe by the community and must be addressed as a priority. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Van Bramer
New York City Council Member

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