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Subject: Traffic Concern at Peterson and Arrowhead Road

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a resident of the Deerfield area and am concerned about the said intersection. Here are some reasons I have compiled:

- Peterson Road is a very busy street with a speed limit of 40 miles per hour (though many drivers exceed the speed limit). There are no traffic lights or stop signs between Iowa and Kasold, a stretch of more than one mile through a residential neighborhood.
- The area has seen a significant increase in traffic due to significant residential development north of Peterson Road and south of I-70 between Monterey Way and Kasold.
- Many pedestrians, as well as children on bikes or scooters, cross Peterson Road at Arrowhead Drive to travel to and from Deerfield Park and Deerfield School. During good weather, numerous families travel this route on any given day. Sometimes older children cross alone.
- There is a hill to the East of the intersection that makes it hard to detect the high-speed vehicular traffic approaching from that direction.
- It is not uncommon to have to race across the street to beat traffic that is traveling faster than allowed or expected.
- During rush hour traffic, it can be very difficult, nearly impossible, to cross Peterson Road at all.
- A crossing guard is present when school begins and is let out, but this is a very short frame of time that the intersection sees pedestrian traffic.
- Many vehicles have been observed to violate traffic rules or ignore pedestrians at the intersection. One must cross the street very defensively and this is difficult for families with children (often including, bikes, scooters and strollers).

Please let me know what I can do to get traffic needs at this intersection addressed and let me know the plans for this intersection. I plan to circulate a petition.

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