



April 22, 2015

The Honorable Mayor and City Commission  
City of Lawrence, Kansas  
City Hall

RE: 27<sup>th</sup> Street

Dear Mayor and City Commissioners:

A request for traffic calming from the Indian Hills Neighborhood Association was brought before the Traffic Safety Commission and approved in December 2012 and brought before and approved by the City Commission January 2013. This took place almost one year before the beginning of the South Lawrence Traffic Way project (Nov 2013) and almost 2 years before the 31st Street closure and the simultaneous 23rd Street heavy construction. These projects and road closures diverted a significant amount of through traffic down 27<sup>th</sup> Street, our residential neighborhoods.

Despite the fact that concerns were voiced by the members of the Indian Hills Neighborhood Association and agreed upon by both the Traffic Safety Commission and the Lawrence City Commission there was no action taken by the City to allocate funds for traffic calming prior to other projects that magnified the already existing and agreed upon safety concerns.

The Indian Hills Neighborhood is home to Naismith Park, as well as a school crossing and school zone for Broken Arrow Elementary and South Middle School. The failure to apply the previously agreed upon traffic calming measures and the increase in traffic due to local construction has created an unsafe environment for our resident's children and families.

We request that as you review and approve funding of projects for 2016 that funding be allocated the already approved traffic calming measures for 27<sup>th</sup> Street, ensuring the safety of our residents.

We also ask that as you develop a new 5 Year Plan for the City that you take the opportunity to identify any potential increase to 27<sup>th</sup> Street traffic and Louisiana Street traffic and how the safety of the neighborhood residents will be ensured. Included in this discussion should be recognition of the parks and schools that families and children enjoy through the use of 27<sup>th</sup> Street and Louisiana.

Our neighborhood has been challenged by this traffic. Residents feel overlooked and neglected and it is the responsibility of this Commission to ensure that there are legitimate actions taken to repair the damage that has been done and to fulfill the previously agreed upon measures.

Respectfully,

Indian Hills Neighborhood Association

cc: David Corliss, City Manager

*"Budgets reflect priorities" David Corliss*

(NRS) = Nonresident Supporters

Letter signing for the 2016 Budget request Letter to the Mayor and City Commissioners

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