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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 a Complete Comprehensive Redesign of the Greenpoint Avenue and Roosevelt Avenue Corridor within the CB 2 District**

Dear Commissioner Garcia:

At the December 2, 2025, meeting of the Queens Community Board 2 Transportation Committee, a motion was made and seconded to request that the DOT complete a comprehensive redesign of the Greenpoint Avenue and Roosevelt Avenue corridors within our district, creating improved safety and usability for all road users, which includes drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians; and to connect to the expanding bike network in our district and to neighborhoods beyond in Brooklyn and Queens. All were in favor of the motion with none opposed and no abstentions.

The redesign must use all the elements in the DOT Vision Zero toolbox for achieving safety for all: fully separated and protected bike lanes, measures to decrease motor vehicle speeds, hardened daylighting to improve visibility and slow vehicle turns, new crosswalks that shorten crossings, loading zones, and green infrastructure.

This motion follows a previous motion to add safety improvements to the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge, especially hardened protection separating the bike lane from car and truck traffic.

Greenpoint Avenue is an important corridor connecting Queens CB District 2 and Brooklyn, and current conditions favor cars and trucks and put cyclists and pedestrians in grave danger. Dense residential neighborhoods in Greenpoint and Sunnyside/Blissville/Long Island City are separated by intimidatingly dangerous industrial zones dominated by truck traffic. These conditions put vulnerable road users at risk and deter, rather than incentivize, cycling and

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micromobility.

These conditions must be improved with the same elements that have tamed fatally dangerous corridors like Queens Blvd. and Northern Blvd., or in Industrial Business Zones like the Review Ave. Safety Improvement Project.

Roosevelt Avenue, too, is an important corridor, the commercial main street of Woodside and a connection to Jackson Heights and beyond. Along its route are many mass transit stops, including the 61st St LIRR station and the 74th St transit hub.

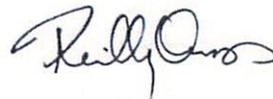
On Roosevelt Avenue, there are no cyclist protections or infrastructure and, in spite of the high pedestrian traffic, no pedestrian safety or intersection improvements of note. Roosevelt Avenue is a chaos of motor vehicle traffic and illegally-parked cars. It wants a complete redesign that will protect current pedestrians and cyclists, as well as drivers, and incentivize more walking, cycling, and mass transit use.

This motion for these improvements on Greenpoint Avenue and Roosevelt Avenue has been informed by the NYC Streets Master Plan, Vision Zero, and through public surveys conducted by Queens CB2, Councilmember Julie Won (Heart of the District Sept. 2024), and NYC Planning (One LIC) that show the community calls for safer pedestrian and cyclist experiences, as well as improvements to the public realm like green infrastructure and public parks and plazas.

Sincerely,



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Honorable Jessica Ramos, NY State Senate  
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