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Deputy Chief Peter Yuen Toronto Police - 43 Division 4331 Lawrence Ave E Scarborough ON M1E 2T4

Deputy Chief Yuen,

On March 19, 2018 you joined me, and Mayor John Tory, to launch the city-wide "Vision Zero" program in my community at Cornell Junior Public School. At the event you advised me Toronto Police Services would be bringing a new model forward to address and significantly improve speed enforcement.

I am writing to you to express my concern, and those of many residents who have contact me as their elected Toronto City Council about traffic enforcement in 43 Division. There is a rising number of incidents being reported to me of vehicles speeding, failing to stop properly at marked stop signs, ignoring crosswalks while lights flashing. These are just a few examples of concerns with traffic violations I am hearing about throughout the communities of Scarborough-Guildwood. I, and residents have become alarmed at the recklessness of drivers of motor vehicles, choosing to put others at risk.

I am aware there is only one dedicated Officer in 43 Division to address traffic enforcement, supplemented by other Officers, only when there is not more pressing matters taking place.

I am requesting on behalf of the residents of Ward 24 Scarborough Guildwood to have more dedicated enforcement be put in place, especially in light of the "Vision Zero" program and the Toronto Police Service #slowdowntoronto initiative on social media.

Please advise what steps are required to increase the number of Officers dedicated to address traffic violations in Ward 24, Scarborough-Guildwood.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Councillor Paul Ainslie

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