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VIA EMAIL (mbirch@countyofessex.on.ca)

March 30, 2021

The Corporation of the County of Essex
360 Fairview Avenue West
Suite 202
Essex, ON N8M 1Y6

Attn: Mary Birch, Director of Council & Community Services/Clerk

Dear Ms. Birch:

RE: REQUEST FOR SCHOOL SAFETY ZONE FOR GOSFIELD NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL (302 COUNTY ROAD 27, COTTAM)

At its Regular Meeting held Monday, March 22, 2021 Council of the Town of Kingsville passed the following resolution:

"232-2021

Moved By Deputy Mayor Gord Queen

Seconded By Councillor Larry Patterson

1. That the letter of concern regarding speeding from a local parent and resident Melissa Statham be received into the public record;
2. That a copy of the letter be provided to our local Police Services Board;
3. That a copy of the letter be provided to the County of Essex;
4. That this Council approve and endorse the request for a School Safety Zone by the Gosfield North Public School with the necessary signage for same, with our request to the County of Essex.

CARRIED"

A copy of the above-mentioned letter of concern from Ms. Statham is enclosed for your reference.

Please contact the undersigned if you should require any further information.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandra Kitchen".

Sandra Kitchen, Deputy Clerk-Council Services
Legislative Services Department
skitchen@kingsville.ca

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Encl.

cc: Kingsville Police Services Board (via email c/o rbaines@kingsville.ca)

March 10, 2021

Attn: Town of Kingsville

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you today as a concerned parent and member of the community of Kingsville. My children attend Gosfield North Public School and in the light of the pandemic it has raised some traffic issues that have been present for a long time but are even more concerning this year as more children are being driven to and from school. Due to the high volume of drop offs and pick ups, there is a line on the right hand shoulder of vehicles waiting to get into the parking lot; conversely there is a smaller line waiting to turn left into the school as well. This has been a source of contention as some people feel that parents should all line up on the right hand side forcing some of them to make a U-turn or turn around in the church parking lot on the opposite side of the road. Regardless of this the speed limit in front of this school is **80 km/h**; this is outrageous and I feel like every day there is a near miss. Parents pulling out of the parking lot cannot see right due to the amount of cars lined up and when you have vehicles flying past the school at 80 km/h or more it is literally an accident waiting to happen. There is no sign indicating that a school is coming up and to slow down; it's truly scary and our kids deserve to be able to get to and from school safely.

Can this issue be raised at the next council meeting? For the safety of everyone this speed limit **MUST** be reduced.

Sincerely,

Melissa Statham