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Dear Mr. Day:

2 April 2011

As I prepare to return to the Haddonfield Traffic and Pedestrian Safety committee (TAPS), I want to let you know of some things that have come to the attention of myself some other parents at Tatem Elementary School on Glover Ave.

Tatem is gaining momentum with its parent-led traffic team, as we try to make plans for a future of less traffic and a safer walking environment around the Tatem area. This would, of course, include Grove Street, the county road along which most of our students walk to school.

Several parents have expressed deep concerns with allowing their children to walk to school because the traffic on Grove Street is fast and very close to the sidewalk. This has been an issue for at least the past 35 years, when a group of Tatem parents initially installed the blinking pedestrian lights that are no longer operating (but we hope to get them up and running again for the new school year!). I spoke with one of those parents, now a woman in her late 60's, and she told me the story behind those lights. Apparently the conditions on Grove Street have not changed, and if anything, are far worse due to and increase in volume of cars.

So I am writing to request, since you are now working as the Boro Engineer, that you please communicate the need for traffic calming along Grove Street, a long overdue and much needed project. Starting with fog lines, more prominent crosswalks and signage, and hopefully eventually leading to more projects that will help calm the traffic!

I do hope you will remember this request in your future work with the county roads in town. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather Vaughn".

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