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Hello,

I am writing because removing the crossing guard at Raymond and Gilbert is a bad idea.

I'm not sure if you all have seen how cars speed down Raymond, but typically, someone is going at least 45 while I'm walking my son to school. Having a crossing guard in bright colors, who consistently presses the crossing light button and has a stop sign greatly reduces risk to kids and families.

Additionally, they provide an extra set of eyes for families. A few years ago, there was a car that was following kids. All the crossing guards knew about it and were keeping an eye out for the kids, as well as for the car. The crossing guards provide safety in more than one way.

This is a neighborhood with a lot of young kids who are just now getting old enough to start walking to school by themselves. Although they may get dropped off right now, I know of at least 2 kids who will be walking and crossing Raymond and Gilbert next year.

The recent safety measures that were implemented are not enough. I'm honestly not quite sure what they were- the bump out does nothing to slow cars.

I'm quite angry that this is even a consideration. Raymond Road needs to be safer and slower before this should even be an option.

Respectfully,
Carrie Mathos