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Hello Alder Albouras and the Madison Transportation Commision!

My wife and I wanted to reach out regarding the road resurfacing project for Hammersley Road. We attended the general meeting held on 2/23 and were very pleased to see the proposed plan for adding a parking pocket on the western portion of the Hammersley Road project! The removal of street parking in the original design was very upsetting, as we rely heavily on that parking for regular guests.

We live in Hammersley Road, about right smack dab in the middle of the stretch of Hammersley between Witney and Brookwood, on the Northern side of the street.

A huge reason that we purchased our home on Hammersley is the ample amount of parking available on the street that we heavily utilize when hosting friends and family at our house. In the past we have had up to 7-8 additional cars park along the street for some of these gatherings, from friends who either don't want to be blocked into our driveway and have the ability to leave at their leisure, or during icy conditions when our steeply sloped driveway gets a little too hazardous to keep a large number of cars parked in.

At least once a week we have folks over to our house who park on the street, and removing that parking would make these gatherings unnecessarily prohibitive by requiring folks to park one street over on Hempstead and walking around to Hammersley (whether it be in the summer heat or on icy paths) or purchasing an Uber.

We both strongly feel that the addition of the parking pocket (or any other parking options if the parking pocket isn't a viable solution) in the proposed plan is the ideal compromise for folks on Hammersley who want the pedestrian path added (us included!) but who also don't want to lose the available parking for guests that we have come to rely on heavily.

We also wanted to thank you Alder Albouras for raising the concerns of folks on the street who would hate to lose on street parking at the meeting on 2/23. I know there were a number of folks who were opposed to the plan due to the removal of parking but weren't able to stay on for the full time to discuss this project. We really appreciate you keeping in mind all members of the street and beyond and voicing all of our concerns!

If there is anything else that we can do to sway the decision on this project to keep some level of street parking available, please let us know. Again, thank you for listening to both sides and trying to find an equitable solution for all!

- Hunter and Lea