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Mr. Dryer, Ms. Knoche, Mr. Olson and Alder Demarb,

I am writing to express my concern with the decision to remove the Crossing Guard position from the intersection of East Buckeye and Droster. While the numbers of pedestrians crossing daily may warrant this decision; the unique nature of this intersection and neighborhood deserves analysis as well. I have had a number of Elevehjem parents and community members bring their concerns to my attention. I feel it's my responsibility to ensure the safety of all of our students on their way to and from school each day.

One concerned parent pointed out, "...the steady stream of dump truck traffic and the fact that the crosswalk is in the valley of the road where speed from both directions picks up," which seems to merit further consideration.

Should the decision to remove the Crossing Guard remain, please provide me with a detailed report outlining the data and rationale. This information will be used to inform the parents and community members.

I look forward to your response, and appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Sarah Larson