## **Aviles Pineiro, Gretchen**

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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 8:29 PM

To:Aviles Pineiro, GretchenSubject:crossing guard on Monroe St.

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of keeping an adult crossing guard at the intersection of Monroe St and Glenway. My son is currently in 2nd grade at Thoreau, and it is one of five second graders within a block or two of where we live (Chapman St). There are probably another 5-10 Thoreau kids in the same area. The second graders are just now old enough to walk to school by themselves, and most are doing so now that the weather has been nice. I think that all of us on Chapman St would like our kids be able to walk to school safely on their own in the mornings. Having a crossing guard at the corner of Monroe and Glenway is important for ensuring the safety of our children, given the business of these streets in the morning.

Additionally, the traffic in front of the school backs up quite a bit during pick up and drop off time. For every kid who can't walk to school safely, that is one more car that will back up traffic along Nakoma in the morning and afternoon. I don't even want to think about what that will look like when Monroe St is under construction next year. I think that we need to do all that we can in the neighborhood to keep cars off Monroe and Nakoma during these busy times, and a small thing like the crossing guard can make a big difference.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Rachael & Brian Lancor 741 Chapman St. Madison, WI