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To the Transportation Commission for the City of Madison, Wisconsin.

Please note: This is being submitted by request and on behalf of Mrs. Beverly Schrag at 221 South Whitney Way. Due to a computer malfunction, Mrs. Schrag is unable to send you her email and has requested I do so on her behalf. Her email is bschrag@charter.net

Mrs Schrag has asked that I pass along her opposition to the proposed changes on Whitney Way to remove street parking.

I am Mrs. Beverly Schrag at 221 South Whitney Way, Madison, WI 53705.

I have asked my neighbor Alan Zarinnia to send this note on my behalf for your consideration in your decisionmaking process.

I am aware of the proposal to remove street parking in front of my house as part of the 2021 Vision Zero agenda. I object to the removal of this parking access in front of my home on two levels.

First, I have services that come to maintain my home frequently that include long vehicles with trailers that must park on the street. These service providers would not be able to park in my driveway. Parking on side streets is not an option for these services, many of which use heavy equipment and tools. Many times, these vehicles are at my home for multiple hours and eliminating parking on the street would make this situation extremely difficult for these contractors and me.

Second, I've lived and worked in Madison for many years and lived in my house for more than 35 years. My husband and I have enjoyed Madison for the majority of our lifetimes. I am generally a social person and have friends I enjoy seeing. When we are not in a pandemic, I enjoy having friends over to my home for get-togethers, parties and other social events on a regular basis. Many of my visitors are elderly and are not capable of walking great distances. This is why street parking in front of my home is very important to me, because there is not enough room in my driveway to provide off-street parking for their cars.

If street parking on Whitney Way were removed the closest side street where parking would be available is at least three properties away and may require my friends to cross streets. This would be difficult in decent weather but nearly impossible and dangerous in winter weather or storms.

The proposal to eliminate street parking in front of my house would significantly affect these people and permanently change my ability to interact with my friends and get services performed. This would negatively impact my quality of life in a meaningful way.

Please do not approve this proposal.

Thank you, Mrs. Beverly Schrag 221 South Whitney Way Madison, WI 53705