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FW: Parker Road - Posted Speed Limit Reduction Request

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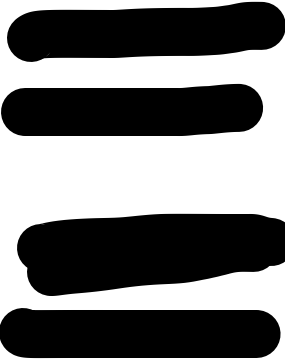
To Whom it May Concern on the Traffic Safety Committee,

My wife and I moved our young family to West Linn two months ago, having bought a house located at [REDACTED] and so far we've loved the experience. We have three young children ages 7, 5 and 17 months, and they've made fast friends with the two children who live directly across from us. It's a wonderful place to live, filled with people who care intensely about each other, shared experiences and quality of life, and we feel very fortunate to have joined the community.

There has been one nagging area, however, of great concern for us, which is that the speed of cars traveling down Parker Road is too fast for a residential neighborhood, and we believe Parker Road's 35 mph posted speed limit is a major contributing factor. We're not sure why the maximum speed limit is so high given it's a connecting road for residential neighborhoods, abuts Tanner Creek Park and dead ends into both Salamo Road and Sunset Road. Even more odd both Salamo and Sunset are 25 mph posted speed limits, as are other major arterials (e.g., Rosemont), which feels far more appropriate for what a suburban community like West Linn should allow to keep its pedestrians safe. Beyond our own self interests in wanting to protect our children, the sidewalk in front of our home turns into a crosswalk traversing Parker Road and we watch as dozens of pedestrians, many of which are young children, daily use it. But because of the combination of a posted 35 mph speed limit and a decent amount of grade change heading north and south-bound on Parker (our house sits in a valley), drivers end up going much faster than what we believe is reasonably safe for the number of pedestrians who frequent our street and its crosswalk.

The good news is that our concern is something that can be addressed. We'd like to make a request to reduce the posted speed limit on Parker Road from 35 mph to 25 mph. How do we go about doing so?

Thank you for your consideration.



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