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To: Chair and Members North York Community Council

Re: Parking on Hanna Road in the vicinity of Bessborough School

Bessborough Elementary and Middle School accommodates elementary and middle school students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade Eight. The front entrance to the school is located on Bessborough Drive between Field Avenue and Sharron Drive. The school also fronts onto Sharron Drive between Hanna Road and Bessborough Drive, Hanna Road between Sharron Drive, and Field Avenue and Field Avenue between Bessborough Drive and Hanna Road.

The school bus loading zone is located on the east side of Bessborough Drive between a point 54 metres south of Sharron Drive and a point 30 metres further south.

Sharron Drive, Hanna Road, Field Avenue, and Bessborough Drive are classified as local roadways with posted speed limits of 40 km/h adjacent to the school.

The traffic regulations for the above noted roadways are as follows:

- Bessborough Drive, parking is prohibited 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the east side of the roadway between Field Avenue and Sharron Drive.
- Sharron Drive, parking is prohibited 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the south side of the roadway between Bessborough Drive and Hanna Road.
- Hanna Road, parking is prohibited 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the west side of the roadway between Field Avenue and Sharron Drive.
- Field Avenue, parking is prohibited 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, on the north side of the roadway between Bessborough Drive and Hanna Road.

Parking is permitted for a maximum duration of three hours opposite of the school property adjacent to the parking prohibition on Sharron Drive, Hanna Road, Field Avenue and Bessborough Drive.

In review of the existing traffic conditions on Sharron Drive, Hanna Road, Field Avenue, and Bessborough Drive, it has been noted that the existing prohibitions do not allow for parents to safely drop-off and pick-up students at the school, and encourages midblock crossing as parking is permitted for a maximum duration of three hours on the opposite side of the two streets adjacent to the school building (Bessborough Drive and Hanna Road).

In order to address the existing traffic conditions and the needs of the parents and residents of the community, Staff recommends amending the parking arrangements on Hanna Road to allow parking on that road adjacent to the school.

The recommendations below will increase the level of safety for pedestrians and motorists by regulating drop-off/pick-up activity adjacent to the school property.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

In order to address the existing traffic conditions and the needs of the parents and residents of the community, Staff recommends

- the installation of No Stopping, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday on Hanna Road, east side between Field Avenue and Sharron Drive; and
- Parking to be permitted for a maximum duration of three hours adjacent to the school property opposite of the stopping prohibition on Hanna Road.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. P. ...", written in a cursive style.