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North York Community Council
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RE: Request for Urgent Vulnerable Road User Safety Review of the Intersection of Yonge Street and Erskine Avenue

Dear Chair and Colleagues,

On the morning of Tuesday, September 10th, 2019, a pedestrian was tragically struck and killed by a cement truck making a right turn onto Erskine Avenue from Yonge Street.

As you may know, Erskine Avenue is situated in the Yonge-Eglinton neighbourhood – an area that is developing at an unprecedented pace. At the time of writing, there are more than 50 construction projects underway in this neighbourhood.

I have heard from many Erskine Avenue residents that their residential street has become a thoroughfare for trucks, construction vehicles, and drivers looking to avoid congestion at the Yonge-Eglinton intersection.

Erskine Avenue is located within the radius of the John Fisher Junior Public School Safety Zone.

Recommendations

That North York Community Council:

1. Direct Transportation Services staff to undertake an urgent Vulnerable Road User Safety Review at the intersection of Yonge Street and Erskine Avenue with emphasis to mitigate construction traffic infiltration on residential side streets. Staff should consider all options to improve pedestrian safety including temporary turning movement restrictions for heavy vehicles, additional police enforcement, and provision of a Paid Duty Officer (PDO) as required.

Regards,

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