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Attention: Marilyn Toft

**MM37.15 O'Connor Drive Traffic Safety: Automated Enforcement and Speed Limit Reductions
- by Councillor Paula Fletcher, seconded by Councillor Brad Bradford (Ward 14)**

This is to express our strong support for the above noted Member's Motion, which includes reducing the posted speed limit on O'Connor Drive between Broadview Avenue and Coxwell Avenue from 50 kilometres per hour to 40 kilometres per hour. The Motion is being brought forward in tandem with a Motion from Councillor Bradford for similar speed limit reduction for O'Connor Drive *east* of Coxwell Avenue.

O'Connor Drive represents the most direct east-west link between Midtown and East York/East Toronto (south of Eglinton); however for cyclists it is highly problematic given the speed of traffic, and the absence of protected bike lanes.

We support the speed reduction on O'Connor as a positive first step and request that O'Connor be given priority consideration as a candidate for protected bike lanes. We believe this would be a major boost to the City's safe cycling network and encourage bicycle travel in East York.

Respectfully submitted,
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