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Dear IEC Toronto,

I am writing in strong support of item IE19.1 2025 Cycling Infrastructure Installation - First Quarter Update, and plans to build over 12 km of new bike lanes in Scarborough, North York, and across Toronto.

The proposed 4.7 km of bike lanes on Bathurst Street in North York and 5.3 km of bike lanes on Ellesmere Road in Scarborough in particular are sorely needed to address transportation equity in areas of the city that are most in need of road safety improvements, and to give people more transportation options.

The proposal also includes building important new connections with bikeways on Bedford Road, Ontario Street, York Gate Boulevard, and new contraflow lanes as part of the Wallace-Emerson Neighborhood Streets Plan.

No city has solved traffic congestion by prioritizing car traffic. We need to make it easier and more convenient for more people to choose to ride a bike. Safe, connected bike lanes are a critical part of improving air pollution, providing people with sustainable transportation options, and ensuring no family ever has to endure the unimaginable tragedy of losing a loved one on our streets.

While none of these projects appear to remove vehicle travel lanes and don't run afoul of the province's anti-bike lane legislation, it is essential you stay committed to implementing the Council-approved 2025-2027 Cycling Network Plan including connecting bike lanes on Eglinton Avenue, and building new bike lanes like the Danforth-Kingston Complete Street project.

I urge you to approve these projects and keep Toronto moving forward.

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