The Transportation Commission Attention: Jili Julian The Village of Oak Park Public Works Center 201 South Boulevard Oak Park, IL 60302

To the members of the Transportation Commission:

I am writing on behalf of the residents of the 200 North block of Lombard Ave regarding our request for traffic calming measures for our street.

Like many areas in Oak Park, we are block of families. Little kids (and big ones) are always out and about playing. We have observed, along with our neighbors, some of the worst, most unsafe driving. Our area, we believe, is in particular need for traffic calming measures for the following reasons.

Bypass for Austin

Lombard is a clear, north-south bypass of Austin. We see folks zooming – especially during rush hour – down our street. The excessive vehicle speeds are dangerous to pedestrians and cyclists.

Two-way stop

At the north end of our block at Lombard and Erie, there is a two-way stop (the stop is for those on Lombard). Every day, drivers disregard this stop – unbelievably, it is usually blown by the north-south drivers who are supposed to come to a full stop. We have seen accidents happen and it is a dangerous intersection for drivers and pedestrians alike.

Proximity to Beye School

Most importantly, we are one block from Beye School and the intersection above is a major thoroughfare for students and parents as they walk to and from school. Additionally, parents who are driving use this as a primary route after drop-off, compounding the problem of the two-way stop.

Like all parents, we want to keep our children safe. We hope that the Transportation Commission will conduct a thorough analysis of the traffic in our area and come up with solutions to help us keep everyone out of harm's way.

Warmest regards,

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