# Government of the District of Columbia

# **Department of Transportation**







February 17, 2022

Salim Adofo, Chairperson Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8C PO Box 30564 Washington, DC 20032 8C07@anc.dc.gov

NOI # 22-67-PSD

Re: Installation of Safety Improvements on Wheeler Road, SE between Mississippi Avenue and Alabama Avenue

Dear Chairperson Adofo:

Pursuant to section 2 of the Administrative Procedure Amendment Act of 2000 (D.C. LAW 13-249; D.C. Official Code 2-502), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is required to give a written notice of our intent (NOI) via electronic delivery to modify traffic and/or parking requirements. This letter is being forwarded to you for the purpose of notification and solicitation of comments on our intent to implement the following modifications in your jurisdiction. Attached, please find the engineering plans and a PowerPoint presentation which includes several renderings to help visualize the safety improvements.

- 1. Create a consistent two travel lane configuration to reduce speeding, crashes and shorten pedestrian crossing distances
- Install channelized student pick-up and drop-off to improve safety and provide more structure
- 3. Right turn in/out only at the DC Kipp Somerset driveway to improve safety (no left turns)
- 4. New crosswalk at DC Kipp Somerset with pedestrian island and pedestrian activated rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB)
- 5. Concrete pedestrian island at Savannah Street and Upsal Street to calm traffic and provide a safe place to wait to cross
- 6. Paint and flex post no parking areas at crosswalks to improve visibility
- 7. Paint and flex post curb extensions to slow vehicles and reduce pedestrian crossing distances
- 8. Painted parking boxes for better parking compliance and to slow vehicles
- 9. Paint and flex post median to narrow the roadway and to slow vehicles
- 10. Dedicated left turn lanes to reduce rear-end and left-turn crashes

- 11. Updated traffic signs including speed limit signs, and Stop for Pedestrians DC Law in the road signs communicate clear traffic laws to drivers
- 12. Painted murals at curb extension areas define pedestrian-only areas

In addition, pursuant to section 2 of the Vision Zero Enhancement Omnibus Amendment Act of 2020, (D.C. Law 23-158; D.C. Official Code § 2-502(6)(B)(iv)), DDOT is providing ten days' notice for this action because the proposed changes will increase safety on Wheeler Road by slowing vehicle speed, shortening pedestrian crossing distances, and reducing crash risk. All comments on this subject matter must be filed in writing by Friday, March 4, 2022 (ten days after the date of this notice), with the District Department of Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Division, 250 M Street, SE Washington, DC 20003 or by email to karyn.mcalister@dc.gov.

If you would like to check the status of this Notice of Intent (NOI), please visit DDOT's website at <a href="https://ddot.dc.gov/service/ddot-notice-intent">https://ddot.dc.gov/service/ddot-notice-intent</a>. If you are having any trouble accessing the NOI site or are unable to do so, please contact the DDOT Customer Service Clearinghouse at 202-671-2800.

Sincerely,

Karyn McAlister, AICP

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Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Specialist

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**Project Delivery Administration** 

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