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Dear City of Whittier Planning Commission:

My wife and I are long time residents of Mills Avenue. Over the years, we have experienced a diminished quality of life from the dense traffic that uses Mills Avenue. Impacts to one's health and well-being have been long studied. Please see attached article from the Los Angeles Times.

Regarding today's vote, my wife and I respectfully submit the following comments for your consideration -

- 1. The speed of cars is quite high along Mills Avenue. Please reduce the speed to 25 mph. Note that other large cities have reduced traffic speed to 25 mph along major boulevards that experience daily dense traffic loads while achieving high levels of safety for both drivers and pedestrians.
- 2. We recommend that the commission consider installing automated traffic cameras. These cameras can be set to control not only speed violators but vehicles that exceed the size limit which already exists for Mills Avenue (no greater than 3 tons).
- 3. We recommend reducing the time frequency for the turn signals at Lambert and Whittier so a reduced number of cars are allowed onto Mills at any one time.
- 4. To establish pedestrian safety along Mills Avenue, provide for well-marked cross walks with speed bumps.

Best regards,

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