

My name is Liz Bilafer - my husband, John, and I have resided at 15 Victoria Road since July 1967. Through the years we have had a few "traffic" problems and the town has helped us solve them, e.g. heavy trucks would use it instead of going to the traffic light at the corner of Mystic and Summer - Result: a "No trucking" sign was placed at Victoria and Summer; Since it is a one-way street, we asked for and received more obvious signage on Mystic Street; There have always been a lot of children in this neighborhood, and since Victoria Road seems to be a shortcut/speedway for a lot of drivers, we asked for and received a caution "Children" sign

We are now asking for something that in the past were told couldn't be done because "there were not enough accidents!" We would like **STOP** signs at Johnson Road as it intersects with Victoria Road. We may not have a lot of accidents (although we had one last week) but we can't count the number of "near misses". Someone is going to get killed at that corner.

The problem is worse now because of the two playing fields (Arlington Catholic & Buzzell Field) neither of which have parking areas. As a result, folks park on both sides of Summer Street, Brookdale Road, Johnson Road and Victoria Road. It is a nightmare! We who live in the neighborhood know enough to proceed with caution and even come to a complete stop when coming to the intersection of Johnson and Victoria, but strangers do not even slow down, but go straight across. There is also the problem of drivers coming the wrong way on Victoria Road. Many more people do it when there games being played at the fields.

We are asking for some help from your Committee to explore (1) the placing of **STOP** signs on Johnson Road at the intersection of Victoria Road. (Does the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have to approve this?) (2) Look into "No parking here to the corner" signs on Victoria at Summer leaving one space to make the turn easier. (People park right at the corner hanging onto Summer Street).

I appreciate your taking the time to read this and hopefully look into our problem. If you wish my presence at one of your meetings, I am happy to do so.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mrs. Bilafer:

We are in receipt of your correspondence in which you discuss traffic concerns on Victoria Road.

Thank you for writing to the Board of Selectmen. Your correspondence will appear on the August 17<sup>th</sup> Selectmen's Agenda under "Correspondence Received". Although it is not necessary for you to attend the meeting, you may do so if you are so inclined.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Very truly yours,  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Marie A. Krepelka".

Marie A. Krepelka  
Board Administrator