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Subject: Safety Concern on Paul Revere Rd

To The Board of Selectmen,

I would like to sincerely request that there be a number of safety improvements made to Paul Revere Rd in front of houses 101/103. Last week a driver was speeding on the road, as most drivers do on this stretch of road, and crashed into our home. The building sustained considerable damage. The response of the Arlington police and fire were phenomenal and we hope for continued support from the town.

Recently the sidewalks were fixed to include graded handicap accessible ramps, however there are no pedestrian signs or crosswalks; this is particularly treacherous as the ramps encourage safe pedestrian passage without alerting drivers in any way. I am requesting both signs and a painted crosswalk in order to make this area suitable safe for the pedestrian traffic it regularly sees. Additionally I am requesting a speed bump to slow driver speed approaching the dangerous curve and blind spot preceding this pedestrian cross way. With signage, a crosswalk and speed bump I believe our community would be much safer.

As a parent of a two year old, it is common knowledge to me that this neighborhood is rich with children of all ages walking, biking and playing on sidewalks and yards. With our front yard and front entryway in shambles and taped off with police caution tape, I have to believe we can do a better job at preventing this kind of accident. And with so many young men and women learning to drive in our community, this would go a long way to support their growing skills and protect them as they become confident and competent drivers.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and support. Sincerely, Sara Burd Resident 101 Paul Revere Rd.