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Subject: Support for including Appleton and Mass Ave. bicycle accident to select board meeting agenda

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to give my support for including discussion of a recent bicycle accident at the intersection of Appleton St. and Massachusetts Ave. in the Arlington select board meeting agenda on 1 June 2020.

As a close friend of the victims of this accident and as a resident of neighboring Somerville, I am deeply worried and concerned about the lack of bicycle safety that led to this accident. This region is often congested with bicycle traffic, particularly with the coming summer months and will more residents turning to cycling as a means of exercise during COVID lockdown.

It is my hope that future improvements for bicycle visibility and safety on this region of Mass Ave will be implemented and will prevent future injury, suffering, and loss of life. Discussing this topic at the Arlington board meeting will be the first step in achieving this goal. Thank you.

Sincerely, Jordon Hemingway