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Dear Members of the Council,

I am writing to you today to express my strong support for the proposed road diet on 9 Mile Road. As a concerned resident, I believe that this project is not just about reducing traffic lanes, but about creating a more sustainable, inclusive, and safer community.

The current state of 9 Mile Road is not conducive to the wellbeing of our community. The current configuration is unsafe for pedestrians and cyclists, and the noise and pollution levels are detrimental to the quality of life for residents. This road diet opportunity aims to address these issues by reducing the number of traffic lanes and incorporating features such as greenspace, seating, shade trees, and pedestrian-friendly sidewalks.

This road diet also aligns with our shared vision for a greener, more sustainable community. By encouraging alternative modes of transportation like walking and cycling, we can reduce our carbon footprint and contribute to environmental sustainability. Moreover, the proposed changes will make our neighborhood more accessible and inclusive, benefiting all residents and visitors regardless of age or ability.

I understand that any change can be met with resistance, and some may worry about the potential impact on traffic flow. However, studies have shown that road diets can actually improve traffic flow by reducing speed differentials and making vehicle movements more predictable. Furthermore, the benefits in terms of safety, sustainability, and inclusivity far outweigh any potential downsides.

In conclusion, I strongly urge you to consider this once in a lifetime opportunity. Let's transform 9 Mile Road into a space that enhances the quality of life for all who live, work, and visit here. I eagerly look forward to a greener, safer, and more inclusive 9 Mile Road.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

William Randazzo 17 Year resident Sent from my iPhone