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Subject: FW: Bryn Mawr Court...Winterberry School Signage

From: Joanna Nardini [<mailto:jnardini@gci.net>]
Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2014 8:12 PM
To: Rep. Chris Tuck
Cc: Sen. Berta Gardner; 'MaryLu LaVine'
Subject: RE: Bryn Mawr Court...Winterberry School Signage

Dear Rep. Tuck:

My name is Joanna (Joanie) Nardini and also a resident of Castles of Bryn Mawr Condominiums at 4829 Bryn Mawr Ct. #3. I also support HB 317 and SB 179 and agree with Ms. LaVine about the need to establish school zones around all charter schools. In addition to the traffic on the east side down Bryn Mawr to Wesleyan, I have also noted children playing on the west side of the school outside the fenced area. I always thought that the school children should be on school property at all times during the school hours. Bryn Mawr has cars parked on both sides and the children have to walk on the icy snow piles on the south side of the street. I have contacted the school about getting the traffic slowed down, but it continues to be a problem. I appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Joanna Nardini

From: MaryLu LaVine [<mailto:dimslavine@yahoo.com>]
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Subject: Bryn Mawr Court...Winterberry School Signage

Dear Rep Tuck:

My name is MaryLu LaVine, and I am a resident at [4839 Bryn Mawr Ct. #4](#). I am writing this letter in full support of the legislation which you and Senator Gardner introduced.

First of all, I want to thank both of you for introducing House Bill 317 and SB 179 which directs the Municipality to establish school zones around all charter schools.

Last summer, I met with the Municipality regarding a school zone at Winterberry school. There is no signage or any other traffic control devices in the vicinity of Winterberry Charter School. Winterberry is at the west end of Bryn Mawr Court, west of Wesleyan Drive and a block south of East Northern Lights Boulevard. At peak hours in the mornings, some of our neighbors as well as Bryn Mawr condo residents have had problems pulling out of their driveways onto Bryn Mawr Court due to traffic moving too fast and not slowing down in order

for residents to pull out onto Bryn Mawr Court. This is definitely a safety concern for the residents of this area and for the young children who are coming to school.

Conversations with Muni folks about traffic calming were unsuccessful. According to them, the following was what they came up with:

1. "Signage for charter schools is treated differently than signage for regular districted schools and is determined on a case-by-case basis.

2. Because charter schools are not zoned like the other district schools, they do not provide bussing or have a defined school walking route, which means they do not have a specified "school zone" to be marked.

3. Winterberry is an even more specialized case because there are no roads directly adjacent to the school since it is located on a private property at the end of a cul-de-sac.

4. The only signage that may apply is a S1-1 sign with a W19-9P (AHEAD plaque) posted at the entrance of Bryn Mawr Court".

This is totally unacceptable as we fear that residents and young children's lives may be placed in jeopardy.

For this reason, I truly thank you for your efforts regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

MaryLu LaVine