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Subject: Opposition to Reducing Speed Limit on County Highway B

Dear City Council,

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed reduction of the speed limit on County Highway B. While I understand that safety concerns are paramount, I believe that this decision may not be the most effective solution to address the issues at hand.

First and foremost, I would like to acknowledge the importance of safety on our roads. We all want our community to be a safe place for residents and visitors, alike. However, I am concerned that reducing the speed limit on County Highway B may not be the most practical or effective approach.

Here are a few reasons why I oppose this reduction:

- 1. Inefficacy: Lowering the speed limit may not necessarily result in safer driving conditions. In the past 16 years living on County B I have never seen an accident on County B. Many drivers already adhere to the current speed limits, and those who do not are unlikely to change their behavior solely due to a change in signage.
- 2. Congestion: Lowering the speed limit could lead to increased congestion on the road, as drivers who are used to traveling at higher speeds may become frustrated and impatient. This could, in turn, create potentially dangerous situations.
- 3. Economic Impact: A reduced speed limit may inconvenience commuters and businesses that rely on County Highway B. Longer travel times could affect productivity and increase costs for citizens and businesses.

4. Alternative Solutions: Instead of simply reducing the speed limit, I encourage the city council to explore alternative solutions to address safety concerns. These might include improved signage, enhanced law enforcement presence, and better road maintenance.

I strongly believe that a comprehensive approach to road safety should be considered, which takes into account all aspects of the issue, rather than simply lowering the speed limit. I urge you to find a solution that effectively addresses the concerns while minimizing negative impacts on the community.

I appreciate your dedication to our community's well-being and safety, and I trust that you will carefully consider the potential consequences of reducing the speed limit on County Highway B. Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely, Chris and Kelly Eberlein 4816 Stanley Court La Crosse WI 54601