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Ms. Marie Therese Dominguez
New York State Department of Transportation
50 Wolf Road
Albany NY, 12232

Dear Commissioner Dominguez,

We are writing on behalf of our constituents who have reached out to our offices to express safety concerns regarding traffic on South Transit Street in the City of Lockport.

On Thursday, May 5, a pedestrian was struck by two vehicles while walking on South Transit Street at 5:44 am. Sadly, the individual was pronounced dead on the scene. Unfortunately, this tragedy has been too frequent of an occurrence. On March 18 of this year, Richard W. Howes III died after he was struck by two southbound vehicles on South Transit at High Street.

We are respectfully requesting for the Department of Transportation to commence a traffic study on South Transit Street where these two incidents have taken place. We need to do everything in our power to ensure that the residents of Lockport and New York State are safe while traversing this road. We cannot sit by and wait for another tragedy to unfold in our community.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Handwritten signature of Robert G. Ortt in black ink.

Robert G. Ortt
Senate Minority Leader
62nd District

Handwritten signature of Michael J. Norris in black ink.

Michael J. Norris
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CC: Francis Cirillo, DOT Region 5 Director, 100 Seneca Street, Buffalo NY, 14203