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To Mayor and Council,

I am writing as a resident of the Emerald Estates neighbourhood in Whistler, as a mother, and a physician,

concerned regarding the intersection at Highway 99 and Autumn Drive.

This turn off the highway has long been a point of apprehension in light of the poor sight-lines for oncoming traffic of those northbound turning left, and in light of the speed of traffic along this stretch.

As traffic volumes have steadily increased over the years, I personally have started signalling earlier, and slowing down earlier in preparation to turn, and have often sat stopped, anxiety rising, hoping and willing that the driver bearing down behind me is paying attention. Then, as they swerve around me at high speed, it is the hope that they don't wash out on the gravel shoulder.

It is, to me, a small miracle that my children, age six and seven, have thus far made it across this bit of road alive, and that we have not yet been involved in an accident.

I do not think it is unreasonable to assume that it is only a matter of time before catastrophic injury happens, especially as volumes increase.

As a neurologist, I see a large number of ICBC and personal injury cases, many of them from rear-endings, and the devastation it wreaks on the lives of even the most fit and healthy people.

I write to request and urge that options are imminently explored and implemented for improving this intersection, be it a light, a roundabout, a turning lane, or whatever options urban planning and traffic planning expertise has to offer.

Many thanks for your attention to this matter,

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