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Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Safer Cycling in Saskatoon

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To Saskatoon City Council,

I understand that motions were made by Councillor Block in reaction to the tragic accident resulting in the death of cyclist, Natasha Fox. This devastating loss to the community has brought attention to road safety in our city, especially pertaining to those on bicycles. It has been previously established by the University of Saskatchewan that the intersection where this incident took place is dangerous and should be amended to be safer everyone. This issue however, is obviously not isolated to this one intersection. It's well-known that cyclists do not have appropriate spaces to ride in Saskatoon. Motorists are averse to sharing streets with cyclists and in turn, cyclists ride in some unsuitable and often dangerous situations. There are extremely limited safe spaces for cyclists to ride in the city. This creates a barrier for most people who might otherwise choose to bike instead of driving.

Politically, I understand that it is unpopular to invest in alternative modes of transportation in Saskatoon. Encouraging active transport has been shown to be economically positive for communities, and it seems that this should be a major priority for our city to save both lives and money. Improving cycling in Saskatoon will benefit everyone in the city. Please be ambassadors for this change. Inform yourselves and others about the benefits of alternative transportation options and why it is important that we prioritize these changes in our city. Please take this opportunity to re-evaluate this issue and prioritize safe cycling in our city, not just at the Wiggins intersection, but across the city.

Thank you

Christine Wilson

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