



May 13, 2021

RE: Request for Effective Traffic Safety Solution for CAMP Initiative

Dear Leaders:

Our neighbors and community members have expressed a pedestrian safety concern regarding the inability to safely cross Oceanview Avenue in Norfolk, Virginia. Residents of the East Ocean View (EOV) Community have seen an influx in the number of vehicles that travel daily on Oceanview Avenue causing a major safety issue. This major thoroughfare requires additional safety measures to ensure safe and reasonable access to the Ocean View Beaches. Vehicular traffic travels through East Ocean View at an accelerated rate in a train like fashion with no one willing to stop for pedestrians. While signs are located at crosswalks, drivers often ignore them leaving pedestrians at the mercy of kind hearted drivers to stop. During the off season, crossing Oceanview Avenue in a crosswalk is daring, but from Memorial Day to Labor Day it's nearly impossible.

Our community requests that you join in our **Capture Attention of Motorists for Pedestrians ("CAMP")** Initiative. We are requesting a pedestrian crosswalk application such as an In-Pavement Marker (IPM) system. An IPM system is an illumination source that warn, regulate, and provide illumination in response to a detected hazard such as pedestrian walking. IPM systems enhance roadway operations, direct drivers to reduce speeds, provide directional guidance, increase vehicle driver awareness, increase vehicle yielding, reduce vehicle and pedestrian conflicts, and reduce pedestrian wait times. Most importantly, implementing an IPM system will enhance roadway safety and operations.

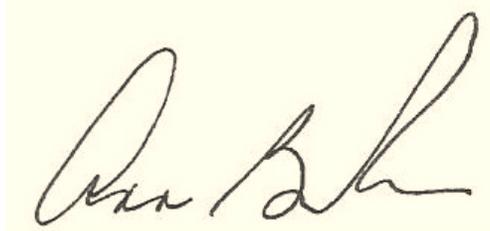
To bring awareness and greater sight to pedestrian crossing, we request the implementation of four (4) lit crosswalks along Oceanview Avenue placed at strategic locations. Careful consideration and discussion have led us to believe that lighted crosswalks are desperately needed

at 19th, 15th, 11th, and 5th Bay streets. These streets are located at uncontrolled intersections, where no traffic lights or signs are used to indicate the right-of-way for pedestrians. This shovel ready infrastructure project will book end the EOV community and give its residents, members, and visitors greater peace of mind when crossing the street.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, so let's put safety first! Let safety lead and join us in fighting for a safer community. For further information and discussion, please contact Nick Jones at

(336) 327-1899 or naj20113@gmail.com. We look forward to working together on our **CAMP** Initiative and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dan Baker", is centered on a yellow rectangular background.

President, East Ocean View Civic League
Representing Residents & Members of EOVC