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Subject: RE: Stop sign at Laureleaf and Multiflora

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Subject: Stop sign at Laureleaf and Multiflora

I am the mother of a child with special needs who walks to Bayview Glen Public School daily. We cross Laureleaf at Multiflora twice a day.

I wish to take this opportunity to persuade you to install a stop sign on the corners of Multiflora and Laureleaf (Thornhill).

Firstly, this is an entrance to a government park. However, considering there is no sidewalk, individuals need to jay-walk in order to reach it. In addition, considering this is un-safe, many individuals drive up to the end of Ladyslipper Crt and park their car to access the playground. I feel if there was a dual entrance to the park, less people would drive and would rather walk towards the park entrance at there convenience, thus cutting emissions and traffic along Ladyslipper ct.

Secondly, there are many kids that live along Ladyslipper ct and Multiflora. Many of these kids walk to school. However, it is a bit scary crossing Laureleaf Rd as there is on-coming traffic, especially before and after school - and during rush hour considering vehicles like to cut along Laureleaf Rd in order to access either Bayview or Steeles. Most of these vehicles are going above the speed limit.

Laureleaf also has a bend in the road, making it very difficult to judge whether or not vehicles are approaching. There have been a couple occasions where vehicles have had to break in front of us or others crossing Laureleaf in order for us to reach the other side of the road.

Lastly, while crossing Laureleaf to reach Multiflora, our vision is also obscured by snowpacks and vegetation. Specifically at 61 Laureleaf road. In the winter, plows tend to create snow banks obstructing our view for oncoming traffic at this house. As well as for the remainder of the year, tall plants on this property make it very difficult for us to determine whether or not traffic is approaching. And considering the traffic is mainly coming from Bayview Ave or Steeles, it can become quite busy.

We feel this could all be resolved if there was a stop-sign or safe cross walk we can use, as the only way we feel safe crossing the road at the moment, is to walk along the side of the road until it is clear of oncoming vehicles - which isn't safe for these little kids to do.

I hope you take this into consideration when making your decision.

thank you,

Sejal Parikh-Shah