

Kemp Mill Civic Association

Silver Spring, MD 20902

A Registered Montgomery County Civic Association

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VIA FACSIMILE AND REGULAR MAIL

Hon. Doug Duncan
Montgomery County Executive
Executive Office Building
101 Monroe Street
Rockville, MD 20850

Re: **Traffic Paddles for Lamberton Drive**

Dear Mr. Duncan:

I write on behalf of the Kemp Mill Civic Association (KMCA), a registered civic association in the Kemp Mill area of Silver Spring, to request that Lamberton Drive be designated to receive "traffic paddles" to improve traffic and pedestrian safety.

As you might be aware, concerns over speeding and safety on Lamberton have preoccupied our neighborhood for quite some time. Approximately two years ago, our community experienced a divisive debate over one potential response to that concern – speed humps. Ultimately, the community decided not to request them.

In recent months, we have become aware of the County's pilot program to experiment with the use of paddles. We believe that this option represents by far the most promising option to address our community's concerns regarding vehicular speeding and pedestrian safety, and to prevent what almost certainly would be the recurrence of another wrenching speed-hump debate. For these reasons, we would like you to include Lamberton Drive in the pilot paddle experiment.

We have mentioned our strong interest in previous conversations with staff at the Department of Public Works and Transportation and in a recent letter to department director Albert Genetti, but I am writing to lend all the weight possible to our request.

We appreciate the County's consideration of our request and look forward to hearing that Lamberton will be designated a street in the pilot paddle program.

Many thanks.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Behnam Dayanim". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Behnam Dayanim

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cc: Albert Genetti, DPWT (via facsimile)
KMCA Executive Committee