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**Eva Prior**

**I would like to thank you for receiving my letters of concern for pedestrians trying to cross Madison at Parker safely . As you may recall a few years past I appeared before Burnaby's Traffic safety committee because of a few persons trying to cross at that marked crosswalk had almost been struck by cars going up and down Parker.**

**I presented my background training in traffic Control as a member of the Military Police, later to become a Highway Patrolman and later before I retired in another position of 25 years in law enforcement. Such training and experience and that of one or more incidents of persons trying to use the crosswalk safely prompted this writer to present the safety issues of drivers heading East or West on Parker to look ahead and never see the pedestrian wanting to cross. After my presentation to the the safety committee they agreed there was a safety issue at that location. As such the safety committee agreed to an overhead cross walk sign been put up.**

**The reports went to the engineering traffic management and overhead crosswalk signs were put in. That did some good but the drivers in the morning heading east or west appeared to totally ignore or do not see people wanting to cross as seen this morning paid little or no attention when a lady in a bright red coat who attempted to cross took a chance and**

**ran across the crosswalk after 8 or more cars heading west did not stop for her and 3 cars heading east came at fast speed up over the hill and not stopping for the pedestrian in the marked crosswalk.**

**In the past when my show of concerns for the safety of those trying to cross, a certain person in the traffic division of the Engineers department suggested they could have the tree branches cut so pedestrian would be noticed waiting to cross. This comment from a junior engineer was ridiculous and again when this writer perused the issue the same junior traffic engineer suggested they had set up a study showing little or no volume of people at that location and I asked him to send me a copy of their so called study to which he said he would but did not .**

**What is more important the safety of Burnaby citizens safely crossing or money not used because of my suggestion to have them put in a pedestrian controlled flashing amber light for thwe saftey of pedestrains needing to cross to press a set button to activate said flashing lights for the pedestrians safety.**

**Ms. Prior kindly forward my comments to the Mayor and Burnaby and our city manager and the present safety committee.**

**It appears the engineering department tightly holds on third their allotted funds with little concern for the pedestrians wishing to cross at that marked crosswalk.**

**With respect**

**Frederic W. Dollery**