

August 10, 2020

Dear Mayor Crombie and Councilors,

Sunlight Street, Mississauga, is a busy street in Churchill Meadows, Ward 10. It is a very straight, narrow street that is flanked by Tenth Line West on the east end and Freshwater Drive on the west end. Approximately half way down the street at Trailbank Drive there is a stop sign and the entrance to one of Churchill Meadow's busiest parks, O'Connor Park.

The majority of residences on Sunlight Street house school-aged children. Many of these children walk to McKinnon PS, St. Bernard of Clairvaux CES, and Ruth Thompson Middle School. Many of these children also play on their front lawns, at O'Connor Park and Mississauga Rotary Park (which is located beside McKinnon PS on Tacc Drive).

Although examples of speeding and dangerous driving can be seen on all streets to some degree, the incidents of these problems on Sunlight Street have increased at an alarming rate. Oftentimes these dangerous drivers travel up the street at dangerous speeds and fail to stop at the stop sign at Trailbank Drive, where the entrance to O'Connor Park is located. Peel Police have many times set up at this stop sign due to the many complaints of residents. Furthermore, we have recently learned that an adjacent street, Tacc Drive, will be having speed humps installed. This will increase the traffic on our street as some drivers will seek alternate routes, which will only exacerbate the problems on our street.

The residents of Sunlight Street are fed up with the driving behaviours we are observing on our street. We are afraid for the safety of our families. We need the city to step in and help us protect our children. We, the residents of Sunlight Street, urge City Council to install speed humps along the entire length of Sunlight Street. Of the 101 household on Sunlight Street, 74 have signed the petition.

Pedestrians are being struck at alarming rates in Churchill Meadows. On August 2, 2020, just a few days after the completion of our petition, I personally witnessed a pedestrian get hit by a car at the base of Sunlight Street. Unfortunately for this gentleman, we were unable to protect him. This incident serves as confirmation that something needs to be done to protect the residents on our street. We need the City to take action on our behalf before anyone else is injured, or killed, on our street.

Sincerely,

Linda Gazo, Sunlight Street Resident