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Traffic Safety Council City of Mississauga 300 City Centre Drive Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney Minister of Transportation 777 Bay Street Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8

RE: Installation of Automated School Bus Stop Arm Cameras

The City of Mississauga's Traffic Safety Council (TSC) wishes to note their support for the implementation of automated school bus stop arm cameras supporting school buses in the Region of Peel. On June 11, 2020 Regional Council passed Resolution 2020-436 and Resolution 2020-446, which take Vision Zero actions by noting support for the implementation of this technology.

On February 20, 2019, the City of Mississauga Council passed a resolution in support of the Province allowing the installation of stop arm cameras on school buses in an effort to protect the safety of children and raise awareness about the laws around school buses. TSC understands that Provincial changes to the *Highway Traffic Act* allow Municipalities to implement automated school bus stop arm cameras. However, there are legislative and operational constraints preventing the rollout of this technology.

The TSC mandate includes making recommendations to the Council of the City of Mississauga, which are intended to protect students from the dangers of vehicular traffic or related hazards. The School Bus Stop Arm Camera Working Group has estimated that if stop arm cameras are implemented in the Peel Region it would result in 150,000-500,000 offences per year. Therefore, by implementing school bus stop arm cameras, this would improve the safety of students and result in increased participation in active transportation to and from school.

Sincerely,

Traffic Safety Council City of Mississauga

CC: Deepak Anand, MPP Rudy Cuzzetto, MPP Natalia Kusendova, MPP Kaleed Rasheed, MPP Sheref Sabawy, MPP Nina Tangri, MPP