

September 8, 2016

Mayor and Council District of North Vancouver 355 West Queens Road North Vancouver BC V7N 4N5

Dear Mayor Walton and Council of the District of North Vancouver:

Subject: Traffic calming measures

As we enter the 2016/2017 school year, student safety remains the number one priority of the North Vancouver Board of Education. We work in partnership with the District of North Vancouver to ensure school zones and student routes to school are safe. Over the past year, successful traffic control measures have been in place to accommodate Metro Vancouver's Capilano Water Main Project. Parents in the North Vancouver School District have expressed their desire to see many of these measures kept in place permanently after the water main work in complete. The Board is writing this letter to express our support for the safety evaluation that the District of North Vancouver has planned to assess next steps regarding traffic control in the area.

The additional traffic flow and calming measures at various intersections due to the Capilano Water Main Project work have been incredibly valuable in terms of enhancing student safety. We encourage the District of North Vancouver to strongly consider maintaining these temporary traffic-calming measures near schools. There are many benefits when students walk or roll to and from school, and we need to ensure that students are able to do so safely.

The Board of Education appreciates the hard work and expertise that the District of North Vancouver has in the area of safe traffic flow. We also understand that you are doing a broader safety evaluation to determine what the new normal flow of traffic will be once the Capilano Water Main Project is complete. The Board supports this review as it pertains to the safety of students and families. Please advise us if we can be of any assistance in this process.

The North Vancouver Board of Education welcomes your attention to this important safety matter. We look forward to continuing to work together as partners to maintain safe and caring communities for our students and families.

Sincerely,

NORTH VANCOUVER BOARD OF EDUCATION

Christie Sacré Chair

cc Board of Education, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) Mark Pearmain, Superintendent of Schools Georgia Allison, Secretary Treasurer