February 21, 2017

Los Angeles Department of Transportation
Attn: Ms. Seleta Reynolds
General Manager
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Ms. Reynolds,

The Los Feliz Neighborhood Council requests that the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (DOT) prioritize Fountain and Hyperion Avenues, under the Vision Zero Action Plan - along our southern council boundaries between Sunset and Rowena Boulevards - to improve street safety, manage speeding, and improve equity, access, and usability for all users.

Not only is this stretch of road within the Vision Zero High Injury Network (HIN), but the segments that lie just outside of the HIN have seen at least two major collisions with the last year. The fact that part of the High Injury Network is within 500 feet of Thomas Starr King Middle School along Fountain Avenue is disturbing and concerning.

Residents of and visitors to Los Feliz can often be seen running across Hyperion Avenue, darting around speeding vehicles, to cross the street in unsafe locations as a result of a general lack of crosswalks and long distance between marked crosswalks. These road segments – that are part of our neighborhood and not simply a speedway and thoroughfare – need to be a priority to ensure that no neighbor or student is met with tragedy.

Thank you for your consideration and your prompt attention of this request. We very much eagerly await your reply and thoughts on this matter.

The Los Feliz Neighborhood Council Governing Board approved this official letter by a vote of 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.
Sincerely,

Luke H. Klipp, President
Los Feliz Neighborhood Council

By Danny Cohen, Transportation Committee Chairperson

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