

City of Pickering

DATE: April 16, 2007

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR O'CONNELL

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COMMUNITY SAFETY ZONE

WHEREAS it is becoming increasingly clear that there are still many inconsiderate drivers who believe that when they speed their actions do not have an impact on the community; and

WHEREAS the act of speeding is the leading cause of most accidents and often lead to injury or loss of life; and

WHEREAS speeding in school zones puts societies most vulnerable at risk and causes great concerns with parents and school employees; and

WHEREAS the City of Pickering views the safety of our residents and children to be of the utmost importance; and

WHEREAS increased fines and demerit point penalties is a proven deterrent and leads drivers to recognize the dangers of their actions in designated "Community Safety Zones"; and

NOW THEREFORE The City of Pickering resolves that a by-law be prepared to declare a "Community Safety Zone" on any arterial roads where a school is located in the City of Pickering; and

THAT The City of Pickering request the Durham Regional Police Service to provide increased surveillance/enforcement in these zones through increased police presence during school hours; and

THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to the Region of Durham.