



GLEBE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
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Mr. Robert White
Manager, External Relations
National Capital Commission

Sent via email: robert.white@ncc-ccn.ca

Dear Mr. White,

I am writing on behalf of the Glebe Community Association (GCA). As we enter spring, the Association is getting questions about plans for the Queen Elizabeth Driveway this summer.

As you'll remember from past years, the GCA is generally supportive of active transportation, but we are concerned about the amount of cut-through traffic in our residential neighbourhood when the Queen Elizabeth Driveway is closed to cars. The negative impacts of traffic, noise and air pollution diminish the quality of life for people living east of Bank Street every single weekend from May to October.

Representatives of our Association would like to meet with the NCC, preferably together with the City, to discuss this year's plans and how traffic impacts will be mitigated. We hope that this meeting could take place before the program for 2026 is finalized. We are especially interested in learning about how construction on Pretoria and the planned bicycle lane on Queen Elizabeth Drive will affect the plans for this year's parkway program.

To help us prepare for the meeting, would you please share last year's program evaluation and traffic counts? We support evidence-based decision-making and are keen to know about the numbers and patterns of usage.

I have copied our City Councillor, Shawn Menard on this message as the QED parkway program has impacts on city streets. I have also copied a few members of the GCA's transportation committee and a representative of the Dow's Lake Residents Association.

We also have one specific request. As in past years, would you agree to keep the QED open to cars on Saturday, May 23 from 9 am to 2 pm for the Great Glebe Garage Sale? We've been grateful for your support for this community event in past years.

Sincerely yours,

John Crump, President - Glebe Community Association

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