

August 8, 1983

Edward P. Swire, President  
Styvesant Plaza, Inc.  
Executive Park  
Albany, NY 12203

Dear Mr. Swire:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to the Albany County Engineer that may be of interest to you. I contacted the County Engineer in March of this year pointing out the hazardous pedestrian traffic conditions along Fuller Road and asking that steps be taken to correct the conditions. I wrote the letter as a private citizen. Some time later he responded asking for documentation on the student death while crossing Fuller Road in 1976 and the volume of traffic on Fuller Road. These were forwarded to Mr. Doering and the McKnownville Improvement Association has decided to support the request for County action on the problem. Perhaps Styvesant Plaza will also consider lending support to providing a safe street crossing and walkway between the SUNYA campus and the shopping center.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or comments on the proposal.

Sincerely,

Jim Lane, Vice-President  
44 Providence St.  
Albany, NY 12203

# The McKownville Improvement Association

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Mr. Fredric M. Doeing, P.E.  
County Engineer, County of Albany  
R.D. #2, Box 460  
Voorheesville, NY 12180

Dear Mr. Doeing,

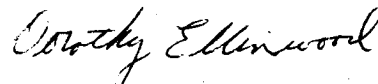
The Board of Directors of the McKownville Improvement Association has directed me to contact you regarding our concern for the safety of pedestrians along the section of Fuller Road between Western Avenue and the most southerly access road to the State University campus. Sidewalks between these two points are in poor condition and poorly maintained. Yet during the school year the walkways are frequently used by students walking to and from Stuyvesant Plaza. The opening of Cross-gates may increase this pedestrian traffic.

We strongly recommend that a traffic light or pedestrian walk light be placed either at the intersection of the SUNYA access road and Fuller Road or at the Mercer Street intersection. Vehicle traffic continues to increase and there is really no safe way for a pedestrian to cross Fuller when walking to or from Stuyvesant Plaza. The present traffic signal at the most northerly exit of SUNYA on Fuller Road, can not be used for pedestrians because there is no space for a side walk on the west side of Fuller Road by the Jewish cemetery.

We would hope, too, that Albany County makes arrangements through the Department of Public Works to keep the walkways along Fuller Road clear of snow and ice in the winter. At present, after a snow fall, pedestrians have to walk in the road, because the snow plows cover the side walk as they plow Fuller. During the short day light hours of the winter, this situation becomes even more dangerous to those walking. Executive Park offices are closing at dusk in the winter which pours considerable traffic onto Fuller. By keeping the sidewalks open, the hazard could be considerably reduced.

There may be other solutions to the problems. We hope your office will look into the matter and correct this potentially dangerous situation.

Sincerely,



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