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November 12, 2009

Mayor Dan Devine City of West Allis 7525 W. Greenfield Avenue West Allis, WI 53214

Dear Mayor Devine:

I am writing you with regard to the traffic pattern near Irving Elementary School, specifically the intersection of 104<sup>th</sup> and Grand (the entrance to Irving School playground). Safety concerns have been brought to the School District's attention by Irving School parents, community members, and Irving School staff indicating that they feel there is a need for some type of traffic control in this area.

The reason for these concerns stem from the fact that this is a multifaceted area – it serves as the entrance to a playground area for children, a drop off and pick up drive through for vehicles on school days, a parking facility for the Transition Program, and a walking entrance to school, all of which open to one common entrance and exit which is the street. We feel that the posting of signs at this intersection (104<sup>th</sup> and Grand streets) would best serve the safety of our children.

We have previously consulted with the City Traffic Engineer on our specific request but have been denied. We are now, therefore, asking that there might be the opportunity to have this request reconsidered on the basis of child safety in this unique area of pedestrian and vehicular access. The signage for consideration might include permanent stop signs, roll out signs facilitated by school personnel, or drop down stop signs facilitated by school personnel. Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please contact me at 604-3005 with any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully,

Kurt D. Wachholz District Administrator

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c: Common Council Members
Paul Ziehler, City Administrator
Margaret Crowley, Irving Elementary Principal