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Mr Tom Duncan

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Dear Mr Duncan

Thank you for your letter regarding petition 8-22, lodged by Ms Rebecca Vassarotti MLA. The petition requests the ACT Government to address community concerns and to authorise the installation of a zebra crossing on Gwynne Street between the Nipperville Childcare Centre and Watson Shops.

Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) investigated the request for a pedestrian (zebra) crossing at this location and assessed it with reference to Australian Standards and ACT guidance for the installation of a zebra type crossing. This involved examination of traffic volumes and movements of pedestrians as well as crash history – both involving injury and property damage. This assessment indicated that a pedestrian (zebra) crossing was not warranted at this location as it did not meet the standard thresholds for traffic volumes or accident frequencies. However, to increase awareness of pedestrians, TCCS installed pedestrian warning signs on each entry of Gwynne Street.

TCCS has noted the concerns raised in the Petition. To seek more detailed site-specific advice, the directorate has engaged an independent consultant to undertake a Safety Assessment for installing a pedestrian (zebra) crossing on Gwynne Street.

The study will assess the risks and impacts associated with the installation of a zebra crossing and determine the most suitable location for the crossing if it is considered appropriate. The study will also consider other alternative measures to enhance pedestrian safety on the road and provide recommendations on the most suitable treatment or treatments for implementation on Gwynne Street.

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The recommendations will be reviewed and any minor measures that are determined to be warranted will be implemented via the Minor New Works program, within existing funding. If necessary, these will be scheduled into the 2022-23 works program. Funding for any recommendations of more extensive works may be pursued through future budget process.

This further study has been commissioned and is expected to be completed by July 2022. Once options have been reviewed consultation with the community will then be undertaken on the recommended safety improvements.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



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Minister for Transport and City Services

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