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Helps Secure New Traffic Signal at Johnson Avenue and Kappock Street!



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Dear Neighbor:

Many of you may remember the tragedy that occurred in our community at the intersection of Johnson Avenue and Kappock Street last year. It should never take the loss of life to make pedestrian safety improvements, but along with many of you — I was determined to fight hard so that Ruth Mullen's death would not be in vain.

In September, I stood with dozens of neighbors alongside Council Member Eric Dinowitz, Community Board 8, and Families for Safe Streets to call for an expeditious response from our city officials to this tragedy.

I am pleased to report that the NYC Department of Transportation has agreed to install a new traffic signal at the intersection of Johnson Avenue and Kappock Street. The new traffic signal builds on other safety improvements that have already been installed such as repainted crosswalks, the relocation of a streetlight and addition of a second luminaire (the part that has the light bulb on it), and the addition of left-turn delineators to help encourage drivers to take the turn at a safer speed.

Once the traffic signal is installed, I believe it will significantly improve the percentage of drivers who come to full and complete stops at this intersection. The conflict between drivers and pedestrians has long existed at Johnson Avenue and Kappock Street, and several years ago I was also able to secure an all-way stop from the NYC DOT. It is clear that many drivers have been taking the stop signs as mere recommendations, even if pedestrians are present, and that is simply unacceptable. These are the types of improvements to our community that we can accomplish by working together. I remain committed to fighting for pedestrian safety improvements throughout our community. If you have a location that you are concerned about, please contact me without hesitation at 718-796-5345 or DinowitzJ@nyassembly.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey Dinowitz".

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