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Ulster County Traffic Safety Board
Post Office Box 1800
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Re: Pedestrian and Bicycle Policy

Dear Ulster County Traffic Safety Board:

I am appreciative of your sharing the background and mission of the Ulster County Traffic Safety Board. It is important to hear from such bodies as yours to help inform the work we do. As an advocate of alternative transportation infrastructure, and now in a position to advance these efforts across the County, I truly appreciate the work your board does.

The County's current Pedestrian and Bicycle Policy was developed and passed in 2009, and at the time in which it was created was very appropriate. Now that it is nearly 15 years old, we have already begun the process of revisiting and updating it to meet the more current and future needs of our residents. To that end, we are right now in the midst of evaluating our progress to date, as well as looking for opportunities and logical next steps to build off of the work we have created thus far. I am happy to share additional details on this in the future.

Pedestrian and bicycle safety is a major responsibility and priority in Ulster County, and as County Executive I will continue to ensure we develop appropriate policy and infrastructure to reach these goals. I look forward to hearing more from and working with the Ulster County Traffic Safety Board, and again thank you for sharing your position on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Jen Metzger
Ulster County Executive