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To: City of Ottawa

Attn: Montreal Road Working Group

Via email: montrealroad@ottawa.ca

Cc: Councillor Mathieu Fleury, Rideau-Vanier Ward
Councillor Tobi Nussbaum, Rideau-Rockcliffe Ward
Vanier Community Association
Vanier BIA

Date: October 11, 2018

Subject: Proposed Montreal Road Cycling Infrastructure Improvements

Dear Montreal Road Working Group,

Recently, members of the Vanier Community Association recently met with Bike Ottawa's Advocacy Working Group to review the most recent plans proposed for cycling facilities along the Montreal Road. Members of our group listened eagerly in an attempt to find solutions to the challenges that are present along this important corridor.

After the Vanier Community Association representatives shared their concerns, we found that we share those same concerns about the proposed plans. The plans offer fragmented cycling infrastructure that includes a proposed isolated section where many cyclists will not feel safe. Because of the fragmented nature, a proportion of cyclists are likely to continue along Montreal Road, either on the road or on the sidewalk, introducing conflicts for all users.

We urge the City of Ottawa to work with the Vanier Community Association to address these areas of concern. Members of our Advocacy Working Group would be happy to provide additional comments if additional details are needed.

Kind regards,

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