



January 20, 2021

President Joseph R. Biden Jr.  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden,

Congratulations on your inauguration as the 46th President of the United States! You are taking office at a time in American history when our country is facing many challenges.

We are writing to bring your attention to one of the immense, but solvable, challenges facing the United States, and one with which you, sadly, have personal experience — roadway fatalities. Our country loses almost 40,000 community members each year as a result of crashes. You know all too well the pain and devastation that comes when someone is killed in a crash. These are not just numbers — each life is someone's family, friend and neighbor.

We are asking that you commit to reduce roadway fatalities to zero by 2050. As a nation, it is time to take decisive and collective action to address roadway safety and save tens of thousands of lives and millions injured in preventable crashes.

For decades, we have known the solutions in this country and watched other countries make incredible progress towards this goal, while we have lacked the leadership to make roadway safety a national priority in the United States. We look to you, as a leader with lived experience, to prioritize a goal of zero fatalities and advance accompanying policies across your administration. We encourage you to engage and lead on this topic globally, joining other nations as they share efforts in road safety.

We are committed to roadway safety and know what it takes to achieve zero deaths. It will take action at the local, state and federal levels. A commitment by you and your Administration to prioritize safety, including adopting the Safe System approach, will provide the leadership needed to save lives. By making a public commitment early in your Administration to end roadway fatalities by 2050, you will demonstrate the importance of safe mobility for all and set the tone at the Federal level to prioritize safety in planning and policy.

We look forward to working with you and your Administration to ensure people in this country can move about their communities safely.

Signed,

AAA  
Alpha Technologies  
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials  
American Property Casualty Insurance Association



American Public Transportation Association  
American Traffic Safety Services Association  
American Trucking Associations  
Arizona Chapter, National Safety Council  
Bike Cleveland  
Bike JC  
BikeWalkKC  
Capitol Motor Carrier Compliance  
Central TX Families for Safe Streets  
Charlene Hill  
Christopher Osterhout  
Claire Roth  
Conor Lynch Foundation  
Consumer Reports  
D.E. GEMMILL, INC  
David Kelly, Former Acting Administrator/Chief of Staff, NHTSA  
Deborah A.P. Hersman, Former Chair of the Road to Zero Coalition, Former President and  
CEO of the National Safety Council and Former Chair of the NTSB  
Denver Streets Partnership  
Families for Safe Streets  
Farm&City  
FIA Foundation  
Friends and Families for Safe Streets Columbus  
Governors Highway Safety Association  
Institute of Transportation Engineers  
Intelligent Car Coalition  
Intelligent Transportation Society of America  
Katie Watson  
League of American Bicyclists  
Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition  
Los Angeles Department of Transportation  
Marisa Rodriguez-McGill  
Matthew Camden  
Mayor Steven M. Fulop, Jersey City, NJ  
Minnesota Safety Council  
Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)  
Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association  
NAFA Fleet Management Association  
National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO)  
National Association of State Emergency Medical Services Officials  
National Complete Streets Coalition  
National Safety Council  
National Sheriffs' Association  
National Waste and Recycling Association



Nebraska Chapter, National Safety Council  
Olsson, Inc.  
Oregon and SW Washington Families for Safe Street  
Partners for Automated Vehicle Education  
Responsibility.org  
SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)  
Safe States Alliance  
Safe Streets JC – Jersey City, NJ  
Seleta Reynolds, General Manager, Los Angeles Department of Transportation  
Sentinel Transportation Systems LLC  
Scott White  
Southern California Families for Safe Streets  
Steve Crider  
Stop4Aidan  
Streets Are For Everyone (SAFE)  
T Bella Dinh-Zarr, PhD, MPH  
Teresa Cole  
The John Hopkins Center for Injury Research and Policy  
The Trucking Alliance  
ThinkFirst National Injury Prevention Foundation  
Towards Zero Deaths  
Transportation Alternatives  
Transportation for America  
Velo Paso Bicycle-Pedestrian Coalition  
Virginia Tech Transportation Institute  
Vision Zero Network  
Walk San Francisco

cc: The Honorable Pete Buttigieg