

**55:16 IMPROVEMENTS TO INTERSECTION OF 9A AND RAVENSDALE/JACKSON AVENUES**

**WHEREAS**, on Oct. 21, 2014, the Hastings-on-Hudson Board of Trustees established a Complete Streets Policy with the purpose and intent to “enhance the safety, access, convenience and comfort of all users of all ages and abilities, including pedestrians (including people requiring mobility aids), bicyclists, transit users, motorists and freight drivers;” and,

**WHEREAS**, the intersection of 9A and Ravensdale/Jackson (the "Intersection") was recently modified (the "Modification") as a mitigation for the Ridge Hill development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Modification included turning lanes, improved traffic signal, reconstruction of the intersection and a ADA ramp (the "Ramp") on the SE corner of the Intersection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ramp was provided to comply with ADA requirements, but the Ramp is functionally useless because the Modifications failed to provide identified crosswalks, pedestrian push-to-walk buttons or signalized pedestrian crossing time to stop traffic in order to provide safe pedestrian passage; and

**WHEREAS**, there is significant residential population east of the Intersection, including school age children who walk to the Middle and High Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, Yeshiva Mesivta Menachem has acquired and occupied 49 Jackson Avenue, and the students, faculty and visitors walk to the Village of Hastings and other River Towns crossing the Intersection; and

**WHEREAS**, there are bus stops on the SE and NW corners of the Intersection; and

**WHEREAS**, the South County Trailway is effectively unavailable to residents because of difficulty of access; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2017 Saw Mill Lofts on Route 9A, along with a Village-owned park complex, will be completed and should be accessible by walking or biking; and

**WHEREAS**, the sidewalk on the north side of Ravensdale Bridge is undersized and very narrow; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been reported that vehicles exceed the speed limit on Ravensdale Bridge and Ravensdale Road, west of the Bridge, to Farragut Avenue; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**: that the Hastings-on-Hudson Board of Trustees calls on the New York State Department of Transportation to implement the following recommendations:

1. Install pedestrian crosswalks and signage for pedestrian passage at a minimum from the SE to SW corner and SW to NW corner of the Intersection;

2. Install pedestrian push-to-walk buttons at a minimum on the SE, SW and NW corners of the Intersection;

3. Reprogram the pedestrian walk time period to be automatic one (1) hour before and one (1) hour after all major Jewish Holidays and Shabbat (Friday sundown to Saturday sundown), or provide for automatic sensors as may be appropriate.

4. Install Jersey barriers or another form of barrier on the north side of Ravensdale Bridge to increase pedestrian safe passage and reduce the width of the westbound travel lane (when Bridge is reconstructed, sidewalk width and travel lane width should address safe pedestrian traffic and vehicular traffic calming); and be it further

**RESOLVED:** that copies of this formal request be sent to all elected officials who represent the area surrounding the Intersection, Governor Cuomo, Westchester County Executive Astorino, and Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner.