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Dear Sweden Village Resident,

Sweden Village is the heart of our beautiful Town, and for far too many years, exiting Sweden Village at Sherry Lane to head east on Route 31 has proven to be more than an inconvenience, it is truly a risk to life and property. Exacerbating the problem has been the increasing traffic and development along Route 31 through the entirety of Sweden, particularly from Owens Road to Route 19. Many residents avoid altogether using Sherry Lane to leave the neighborhood, instead using the exits at Crestview Drive and Sweden Lane. While this is a wise decision, particularly at rush hour, it also increases the burden on the already-failing intersection of Routes 31 and 19.

Your Town government has decided to renew its efforts to draw NYS DOT's attention to this dangerous stretch of road in the hopes that they will act to make it safer. Specifically, we are requesting that NYS DOT install a traffic signal at the intersection of Sherry Lane and Route 31. The last time the Town made this request was in 2009. After a traffic study was completed, NYS DOT rejected the request about a year later in 2010. We feel that the traffic situation has only worsened since that time, and that it is time for NYS DOT to act to better protect the many thousands who traverse that stretch of road each year. We believe that the signal will better protect this intersection and provide for a safer traffic flow out of Sweden Village and along this troublesome stretch of road.

In order to present the strongest request possible to the NYS DOT, **we need your help**. A simple letter stating that you support the installation of a traffic light at Sherry Lane would be great. Even better would be letters that relate traffic accidents/incidents in which you have been involved or witnessed. Additionally, if you are a resident that purposely avoids Sherry Lane, an explanation of your decision-making process and a description of your alternate route would be tremendously helpful.

Please consider sending a letter supporting the installation of a traffic light at Sherry Lane to:

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We thank you in advance for your support and promise to keep you informed as we prepare our request to the NYS DOT. We will provide updates on the progress of this effort in the *Suburban News* and on the "Town of Sweden Supervisor" Facebook page. If you need additional information, please call 637-7588.

Sincerely,

Kevin G. Johnson
Supervisor

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Highway Superintendent