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His Worship Ryan Windsor Mayor of the District of Central Saanich 1903 Mt. Newton Cross Road Saanichton BC V8M 2A9

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Dear Mayor Windsor:

Thank you for your email of January 11, 2024, regarding your request to install red light and speed cameras at five of the District of Central Saanich's top lighted intersections. I share your concerns about traffic safety on BC roads. The Intersection Safety Camera (ISC) program, which has been in operation since 1999, is a partnership between the Province, the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

There are multiple approaches to improving road safety and creating effective deterrents to reduce speeding. Currently, we are continuing to explore many different approaches to further maximize road safety, including upgrades to existing technical infrastructure to improve speed compliance and additional use of automated enforcement technologies. Government is currently reviewing the ISC program including opportunities to expand in the future. Any changes to the ISC program will require extensive engagement and approval from the Union of BC Municipalities.

As we move into the future, we also recognize that new technologies will continue to play a greater role in all areas of police enforcement and road safety. It is through enhanced strategic enforcement actions, improved engineering, legislative reforms, and ongoing public education that we can make British Columbia's roads safer for all.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Mike Farnworth

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