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Supervisor Arnold,

Today I passed yet another spotted fawn killed on Grandview Avenue in Black Point during mid-day. Every day there is wildlife that has been plowed into by speeding cars carrying thoughtless drivers.

Will it take the death of a resident or child on one of our unregulated roads, with no posted speed limits, before something is done? I and my neighbors have been forced to slow down, stop, and pull off as far as possible to the side of the road by construction workers, Fed -X and UPS drivers, and any number of cars and trucks driven by inconsiderate people speeding up and down the hill in the middle of the road with no regard for living things. I am in a metal vehicle, with airbags and seat belts to protect me, but the animals that have lived out here long before we came along are lacking such armor. For them, and our home pets, the scenario is "pow", in the blink of an eye, a millisecond, out of nowhere, shot down, blasted from the side, life sucked, breath gone... dead. That's what is happening to our wildlife in Black Point due to speeding cars driven by self-absorbed, unconscious, entitled humans. Their selfish pursuit to get on to their next destination does not justify the killing of these magnificent creatures. Well, it's got to stop! There will have to be some kind of speed control enforced in Black Point. Something must be done.

In the past, Black Point was a semi-private rural community. Most people lived out here for the beauty and serenity that the area offers and maintained sane driving habits on our narrow roads. I find the direction that this community is taking, with absolutely no traffic restraints, intolerable.

I am asking for your help with this undeniably difficult issue. Due to the fact that people seem to have a lack of respect for the community, I believe we need to find ways to enforce the need to Slow Down. This is not Highway 37 or Sonoma Raceway. We need signage with speed restrictions such as Slow, 15 miles per hour, Watch for Animals, and possibly speed bumps. Some additional patrolling by the County and State Police seems in order...

As a resident of Black Point, Marin County, for nearly 25 years, I would appreciate a response and action taken with regards to my concerns. Please help with this.

Thank you,

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