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Hello All.

These have been trying days. Both worldwide and local events have caused heightened stress, emotions, and confusion within our city and local community. These are not business-as-usual times.

However, we need to remain focused and continue our plight for a vibrant, safe and functioning neighbourhood.

As you know, the long-awaited Allen-North push-call button was installed last month. Community feedback has been that the changes have had little to no impact on traffic and congestion. The City acknowledges this and Josh Matlow's office informed us that they have "gone straight to the contractors to rectify this issue as soon as possible."

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'fix all' to our problems, which is why we must continue to demand that the city complete a <u>comprehensive</u>, <u>neighbourhood-wide mobility study of our area</u>.

In an email dated November 16th from the City, it communicated that "the City is very aware of the severe nature of the current congestion at Allen and Eglinton...and acknowledges that operations at Eglinton/Allen since the installation of the newly designed intersection are unsatisfactory."

In eglintonTOday's latest update, the City explains that it has now formed a dedicated team of experts including Traffic Operations, Traffic Engineers, Area Transportation Planning and consultant support to provide a tiered approach to improving operations at this historically problematic location. Please click here to read the whole update.

It has been a long and grueling process to see any action, but there's still a lot of work to be done. Our message needs to be clear and consistent. We need proper study BEFORE new infrastructure is designed and installed. The City will be conducting public Subscribe

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and surveys in the upcoming months about new cycling networks, one-way residential traffic mazing, etc. and we need to make sure that we stay informed, get involved and speak out.

We know traffic is still bad. Nathan Wener from Councillor Matlow's office provided an update on December 8th informing us that further modifications at the intersection are being made and that materials have been acquired to monitor the intersection (things like overhead cameras to manually change the signal timing). Traffic wardens should also be present regularly to ease congestion.

We continue to advocate on behalf of the community and plan to hold another meeting with city staff in the new year to check up on progress. In the meantime, enjoy the holidays and Happy New Year.

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