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Motions 307-23, 308-23

Good afternoon Clerk Desiderio, I wanted to reach out about something I am passionate about and heard you were the right person to contact. Councillor Sica is proposing two motions, 307-23 and 308-23 that concern me and I was hoping you'd help me voice my opposition to them. These bike/bus lanes aren't the leading cause of traffic, and in fact make it so people have alternatives to safely get their families around Malden and take cars off the road, reducing the traffic. We moved to Malden in part because of the Bike2Sea path that allows an easy commute to Boston, but the street level bike paths have allowed me and my family to safely navigate the streets of Malden when we aren't driving. My kids rely on these bike paths to get around, I can get to work and not circle blocks for parking if I choose not to drive, and they make Malden a transportation leader in the area. Malden is one of the most diverse and transit-rich communities in the commonwealth, and has stood alone amongst north shore communities for actually leaning into strategies to reduce auto dependence and bolster resiliency, to go backwards would be expensive, dangerous, and misguided.

Thanks for taking the time to read this!

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