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Attn: City Clerk

This is an official request to appear before the Sacramento City Council at its meeting of November 24, 1981.

A group of residents and taxpayers in the area wish to protest the installation of the speed "undulations", which have recently been placed on 68th Avenue and Amherst Street. A petition expressing our protest and requesting immediate removal of these obstructions will be presented to the Council at that meeting.

These speed "undulations" are hazardous obstructions in the public streets, which are posted for a speed limit of 30 miles per hour. There is no way an automobile can traverse these obstructions at more than 10 miles per hour without endangering the automobile, driver and passengers. These obstructions pose a danger not only to an automobile and its passengers, but also a hazard to pedestrians, bikers, and even homes and property near the obstructions when one loses control of a vehicle. There is also involved a decided impairment to emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks, ambulance services and police cars, which is of considerable concern to the protestors. The pipe-type posts installed in the sidewalks adjacent to the speed bumps are also a hazard to bikes and pedestrians, as well as uncontrolled vehicles.

These obstructions will <u>not</u> solve the problem of speeding since the speeders who are out for a thrill will not slow down but instead use the obstructions like a roller-coaster for an additional thrill, in spite of what they are doing to their own cars or what dangers are involved to others in the area.

We wish to petition the Council to remove these hazards to safe driving before accidents do occur, bringing lawsuits to the City and inevitably costing the taxpayers. We will request that the City find alternative methods of controlling speeding on these streets.

> CONCERNED RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO

20 copies enclosed (as requested)

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We, the undersigned, hereby petition the Sacramento City Council to authorize immédiate removal of the speed undulations on 68th Avenue and Amherst Streets, which we consider dangerous obstructions to safe driving on public streets. We are all residents of the area adjoining 68th and Amherst and must travel them on a daily basis. We are concerned with damages to our automobiles, injury to drivers and passengers in crossing these "speed bumps", a definite obstruction to emergency vehicles in trying to reach residences quickly, pedestrians and homes near the obstructions which could be harmed by an uncontrolled vehicle and in general the use of these type obstructions in trying to control speeders. We also petition that the City Council authorize the installation of prominent speed limit signs, stop signs and yield signs, which are not now properly in use. When the inevitable damages occur, either to persons or property, the City will be sued extensively and the people of the City will again be the losers.

We request that this petition be brought before the next City Council meeting and be given proper recognition and consideration.

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