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Dear Jim and Zach:

I was contacted by Mr. Doug Darko who lives at 5501 5th Avenue South in Great Falls. He expressed deep concerns over safety on 57th Street, specifically as it relates to speed, pedestrian safety, and street design.

As you know, the State of Montana Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over this street. I'd like to encourage the MTDOT to consider a traffic study for the area to assist with determining if any additional traffic calming, signalization, or speed reduction is necessary. I'd anticipate some changes in the traffic data with development occurring to the north, south and west of the street.

Additionally, Malmstrom Air Force Base will be undergoing a major missile upgrade in 2-3 years. Although most of the work will be in the missile complex, 1 anticipate higher traffic coming and going from the installation during the upgrade process.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at (406)455-8450. Thank you.

Very truly yours, Gregory T. Doyon

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