



July 16, 2022

Via Email to:
Georgia Department of Transportation
Commissioner Russell McMurry, PE

Re: Clairmont Road Corridor – I-85 to LaVista Road
Preliminary Design GDOT Safety Projects P.I. # 0015956 & 0016680 dated April 2022

Dear Commissioner McMurry,

This letter is to state and advise you of our opposition to the above referenced GDOT Safety Project concepts for Clairmont Road during this first public comment period.

The Clairmont Road Conservancy (the "CRC") is a non-profit organization formed specifically to address these projects and to advocate for safety on Clairmont Road in residential areas and to preserve the historic tree canopy critical to the character of the community. As you are aware, the Officers of this organization are the authors of a position paper – previously sent to GDOT through the Sagamore Hills Civic Association. We are very familiar with Clairmont Road and have direct experience with the safety hazards of the corridor. We led and diligently participated in a set of Stakeholder Focus Group meetings and have been in dialogue with GDOT District 7 officials for almost 4 years.

None of those concerns or specific design revisions are addressed in the preliminary design currently out for public comment. The concept was and is unacceptable, and the following associations and entities had all previously expressed opposition to the design:

- Briarcliff Woods Civic Association
- North Druid Hills Residents Association
- Leafmore-Creek Park Hills Civic Association
- North Briarcliff Civic Association
- North Amanda Circle Civic Association
- Audubon Road Cul-de-sac Residents
- Greek Orthodox Church
- Sagamore Hills Civic Association

We will be in contact with Mr. DeNard in District 7 later this month. Our hope is that more immediate safety measures (as suggested in our letter of April 21, 2022) will be put in place as soon as possible and that the design will be modified to reduce and/or eliminate the significant negative impact to our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

CRC Board of Directors: