From: <u>Karen Matthews</u>
To: <u>Karen Matthews</u>

Subject: I Rothera FW: Vote YES on Motion 11 — We need a Safe Passing Law in BC!

Date: April 19, 2022 10:31:43 AM

From: Ian Rothera <>

Sent: April 16, 2022 9:06 AM

To: Charlene Mckay < <u>Charlene.Mckay@sd68.bc.ca</u>>

Subject: Vote YES on Motion 11 — We need a Safe Passing Law in BC!

CAUTION: External Message

Dear Charlene McKay,

I am a concerned citizen, residing in Nanaimo-Ladysmith, School District 68.

I am writing to urge you to support motion 11 at the upcoming BC School Trustees Association AGM, which calls for the BCSTA to urge the provincial government to pass a safe passing distance law in BC.

Every day, thousands of children walk and ride their bikes to school. However, few roads in our province have bike lanes or shoulders, and many do not even have sidewalks, forcing these children to walk and bike on the road with motor vehicle traffic.

Currently, there is no law in BC stating how much space a person driving must give when passing vulnerable road users. Many provinces, including Ontario and Quebec, have have mandated by law minimum passing distances of at least one metre to protect vulnerable road users.

It's time for a safe passing law here in BC! Please vote YES on the motion to urge the provincial government to enact a safe passing law to protect children and other vulnerable road users.

Sincerely,

Ian Rothera, Nanaimo-Ladysmith, School District 68

HUB Cycling will keep Ian and your constituents informed about your position on this issue.

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