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Councilmember Eric Guerra

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Dear Councilmember Guerra-

We are writing to request immediate action to enforce the existing commercial vehicle restrictions in our neighborhood.

Currently T Street is posted at Stockton that commercial vehicles over 5 tons are prohibited and, 39<sup>th</sup> Street is posted at Stockton and at Folsom that commercial vehicles over 3 tons are not allowed. Notwithstanding these limitations, more and more large commercial vehicles are driving unchecked on these residential streets.

On Saturday, April 25, we had yet another incident where a commercial truck caused damage. A very large flatbed truck filled with stacks of crushed automobiles was traveling east on T Street and turned right to go south on 39<sup>th</sup> Street; the truck took out a traffic signal, see photo(s). Luckily no pedestrians were injured but, unfortunately witnesses were not able to identify the truck and the driver never stopped. The traffic signal has been replaced at taxpayer expense.

Over a year ago, an oversized truck hit the limb of a large tree on V St, necessitating its removal – the cut from that is still bleeding sap from the tree.

We have brought this problem of illegal commercial truck traffic to the attention of the City's traffic and police departments multiple times and our concerns have been ignored. Given the severity of the recent incident, we ask that take action to break the log jam at the City staff level and get immediate traffic enforcement of this problem.

In addition to enforcement, we suggest replacing the existing signage with the easier-to-read signs that have a truck with a red slash mark through it may aid in reducing large truck traffic through our neighborhood (see photo taken of the sign at 51<sup>st</sup> & Folsom).

We will be calling your office to follow up on this matter.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors

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