August 2008

Mayor Fred Eisenberger
The City of Hamilton
77 James Street North
Hamilton City, Ontario L8R 2K3

Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Re: Bill C-568 An Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (speed limiters)

I am writing to seek your support of my Private Member’s Bill which received First Reading in the House of Commons on June 17, 2008.

Bill C-568 will amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act to include prohibitions against the manufacture, importation, sale, lease, operation and release after repair of motor vehicles manufactured after January 1, 2010, if they are not equipped with a speed limiter that is engaged and set to a maximum speed that is not greater than 150 kilometres per hour.

According to Transport Canada, 2,889 Canadians died in vehicle collisions in 2006 (latest reporting year). Transport Canada also reports that speeding was involved in close to two-thirds of these accidents. The legislation would require all vehicles manufactured after January 1, 2010, to be equipped with speed limiters so vehicles cannot travel at more than 150 kilometres per hour. First responder vehicles or other vehicles used in emergencies would be exempt.

For your information, I have enclosed a copy of Bill C-568, An Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (speed limiters). The press release with respect to the Bill can be viewed at http://karygiannismp.com/spip/article.php3?id_article=852.

Should you require additional information on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 416-321-5454, at the address above or by email at jim@karygiannismp.com.

Working together we can stop the carnage on our streets and highways.

Sincerely,

Jim Karygiannis
Scarborough-Agincourt
BILL C-568

An Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (speed limiters)

FIRST READING, JUNE 17, 2008

M. KARYGIANNIS
An Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act
(speed limiters)

Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:

1. The Motor Vehicle Safety Act is amended by adding the following after section 5:

   5.1 (1) In this section, “speed limiter” means a device mounted on a vehicle that, when engaged, electronically limits the maximum speed at which the vehicle is driven to the speed set on the device.

   (2) No person shall manufacture, import into Canada or sell or lease to another person a vehicle unless it is equipped with a speed limiter that is engaged and set to a maximum speed that is not greater than 150 kilometres per hour.

   (3) No person who repairs or maintains a vehicle shall release the vehicle to another person unless the vehicle is equipped with a speed limiter that is engaged and set to a maximum speed that is not greater than 150 kilometres per hour.

   (4) No person who owns a vehicle or leases a vehicle from another person shall operate the vehicle or allow it to be operated by another 25 person unless it is equipped with a speed limiter that is engaged and set to a maximum speed that is not greater than 150 kilometres per hour.

   (5) This section applies to vehicles manufactured on or after January 1, 2010 that are not 30 fire-fighting vehicles, ambulances, police vehi-

Loi modifiant la Loi sur la sécurité automobile
(limiteurs de vitesse)

Sa Majesté, sur l’avis et avec le consentement du Sénat et de la Chambre des communes du Canada, édicte:

1. La Loi sur la sécurité automobile est modifiée par adjonction, après l’article 5, de ce qui suit:

   5.1 (1) Dans le présent article, « limiteur de vitesse » s’entend d’un dispositif intégré dans un véhicule qui, lorsqu’activé, limite de façon électronique la vitesse maximale du véhicule à 10 un plafond préétabli.

   (2) Il est interdit de fabriquer, d’importer, de vendre ou de louer un véhicule qui n’est pas muni d’un limiteur de vitesse activé et réglé à une vitesse ne dépassant pas cent cinquante 15 kilomètres à l’heure.

   (3) La personne qui répare ou entretient un véhicule ne peut le remettre à un tiers que s’il est muni d’un limiteur de vitesse activé et réglé à une vitesse ne dépassant pas cent cinquante 20 kilomètres à l’heure.

   (4) Le propriétaire ou le locataire d’un véhicule ne peut conduire celui-ci ou permettre qu’il soit conduit par un tiers que s’il est muni d’un limiteur de vitesse activé et réglé à une 25 vitesse ne dépassant pas cent cinquante kilomètres à l’heure.

   (5) Le présent article s’applique aux véhicules fabriqués à partir du 1er janvier 2010, à l’exception des véhicules d’urgence — notam-