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Transpiration Committee  
Connecticut General Assembly  
Re: Sound Barrier on Water Street

To Whom It May Concern:

I write to give my full support to the proposal for a sound barrier on Water Street that will lessen the noise and pollution for two High Schools and the dense residential area of Columbus Mall and south of Wooster Street. There has been serious concern that the schools and housing are in a diesel hot zone from three highways converging. New construction for the bridge only increases the students' and residents' exposure to toxic exhaust fumes.

A combination of building the sound barrier and planting some trees will help mitigate the harm of so much pollution. As a resident of Wooster Square for almost 45 years, I applaud the effort to offset the bad effects of being so close to I 91 and I 95.

Thank you for prompt attention to this issue that will improve the quality of life in my neighborhood.

Sincerely,

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