

PETITION

April 25, 2005

To The Town Council
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

I am currently a 33 year resident of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and have served the community in a variety of capacities. Relevant to this petition, I frequently use the crosswalk in question, and am a neighborhood resident.

I petition that the Chapel Hill Town Council refer the following transportation related matter to the Town Staff for consideration and report back to the Town Council for appropriate action.

I would like the Town Council to consider putting a crosswalk sign, such as that utilized at the Weaver Street Market, at the crosswalk on Hillsborough Street next to Aldermen Dorm and the Botanical Garden. During very busy times, the street is virtually impassable by pedestrians, and the motorists totally ignore the posted crosswalk signs on the utility poles. In fact, one Sunday, a Chapel Hill bus nearly ran my wife and I over and we were already in the crosswalk! (Note: a quick, friendly e-mail to the Director of Transportation that evening, resulted in an e-mail back on Sunday night! She indicated that the driver would be instructed on the safety and crosswalks.).

This suggestion for placing this crosswalk sign would be an experiment to see how it worked.

I would be pleased to consult with the town staff on these matters as appropriate.

Thank you for your consideration of this petition.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan E. Rimer', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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