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Student Senate

October 4, 2010

Matthew Kochevar
Chair, Campus Community Policy Committee

Subject: Student concerns regarding safety in the Northeast Parking Ramp

Dear Mr. Kochevar,

It has come to the attention of the Student Senate of Valparaiso University from several students that a safety concern in the Northeast Parking Ramp exists and needs to be addressed. Several students have encountered dangerous situations regarding the ramps in this structure due to the speed of cars entering and exiting the facility.

These students have experienced near-collisions with other students' vehicles because there is nothing to regulate the speed of the vehicles in the ramp. Also, students walking in the Northeast Parking Ramp have stated their concern as pedestrians because the cars excessively speeding are not able to see them in time. Several students have contacted their Representatives on the Student Senate requesting that objects such as yield signs, crosswalks, rumble strips or speed bumps be put in the Northeast Parking Ramp to regulate the speed in which cars can travel through the Parking Ramp.

To properly adjudicate this request the Student Senate believes that the Campus Community Policy Committee (CCPC), a committee that has the task of making recommendations on "campus planning and development, and physical plant programs and priorities" to the University Council, should look into this issue and the student recommendations to alleviate it. We ask that you look into this matter and that a solution be expedited and executed.

Thank you for your consideration,

Valparaiso University Student Senate