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**Subject:** Village Board Meeting 9/12 Re: Checker Road/Schaeffer Road traffic. CLOSE SCHAEFFER ROAD  
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PLEASE READ THOUGHTFULLY AND COMPLETELY

Checker Road and Schaeffer Roads at the southern end of the Village of Long Grove are residential streets. Only homes and residences are accessed from these two roads. Unfortunately, the “cut-through” traffic using Checker and Schaeffer Roads is dangerous to these residential neighborhoods, particularly school children. Through traffic on Checker and Schaeffer is also a safety problem for bicyclers and walkers using those roads.

Although in the past there have been regulations to abate this dangerous cut-through traffic, such as restricted turning times at Schaeffer and Lake-Cook as well as Schaeffer and Checker Roads, those measures were impractical because many of the residents living on those roads were impacted unfairly.

The safest and most cost-effective solution to the cut-through traffic on these two residential roads is to close Schaeffer Road at Lake-Cook Road. This would also alleviate any dangerous turns east or west onto Lake-Cook from Schaeffer. It may seem like an inconvenience to residents on Schaeffer Road, however the additional distance we would have to travel to get to Lake Cook from Schaeffer would become insignificant knowing we would be safer from pass through traffic as well as intruders. I should add that the Lake County Sheriff has suggested that the exit from Schaeffer Road to Lake-Cook makes the residents on Schaeffer more susceptible to burglaries etc. since the perpetrators can readily escape to Lake-Cook.

Long Grove has closed roads in the past for the same safety reasons: Hicks Road connecting to Lake-Cook was closed to pass-through traffic going north and south from Old Hwy. 53. Arlington Heights Road going north was closed at Aptakisic Road to prevent cut through traffic in that residential area. And Schaeffer Road was re-routed in a circuitous way through Country Club Meadows from Old Hwy 53 going south to Lake-Cook Road. There are other mediated areas in the Village to prevent pass-through traffic wherein there were safety issues...one such is the one way direction the short distance from Long Grove Road at the Bridge area approaching Old Hwy. 53.

The most efficient and effective solution to invasive pass-through traffic in our neighborhood areas, particularly through the southern end of the Village near Lake-Cook is to close Schaeffer Road at Lake-Cook. We are a residential community in the midst of north-south and east-west traffic. We must preserve and protect our village from dangerous pass-through traffic and encroachment.

Respectfully,

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