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Planning and Sustainability Commission City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability 1900 SW 4th Ave, Suite 7100, Portland, OR 97201 Attn: CC2035 Testimony

We are asking for the one block RiverPlace Esplanade to be designated *Pedestrian Only* for your future plans.

I would be happy to send photos of the congestion and of vulnerable toddlers, dogs, kids, tourists, blind paddlers etc. Also I can send you some of the complaints concerning bikes that were sent into Parks and PBOT in the last two years, if you need further information. I can send you information about Amsterdam, San Antonio and other successful Pedestrian walkways protected from cyclists.

Friends of RIverPlace loves Portland and we fully support all the money and attention being spent on cyclists and hope that the city planners will enlarge their scope to protect the vulnerable pedestrians from cyclists.

You know the facts about bicycle speed, about the importance of community, about our desire to have a livable waterfront where some of the area is safe for pedestrians to lollygag and enjoy our city. You may know that the Downtown Neighborhood Association supports this designation. I can get more letters of support if it helps your decision making.

I will keep this short but am available to send more information if you are open.

Thank you for your consideration.

Susan West

