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Rep. Hong's Statement on East Washington Accident

“I want to first send my deepest condolences to the families and loved ones of the individuals that died this morning and last weekend in fatal crashes on East Washington Avenue. There are no words to heal this traumatic moment, but my love and prayers are with them and the community in this time of grief.

The horrific accident, one of four fatal crashes this year on the East Washington corridor, must turn our attention to what has become an increasingly serious problem. Hazardous road design that leads to injury and/or mortality should be categorized as a public health crisis, and the fatal events on East Washington need to be immediately treated as such.

It is my intention to connect with municipal and state officials to discuss plans to address this issue and ensure the safety of both pedestrians and vehicle operators alike. Residents and commuters should feel free in the upcoming weeks to voice their concerns to their elected officials, including my office, on the corridor.

Our office will also be working on scheduling a community town hall specifically on this topic, details will be available shortly on our state social media platforms (@StateRepHong).”

In service,

Representative Francesca Hong

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