

Dear North Dakota Legislators,

I am writing to give personal testimony as to why I am in favor of HB1246.

Each day, the crosswalk on Main Avenue and Highway 1 is used by a wide variety of members of our community. The busiest times are, of course, the times that students are coming to and from school. There are several daycares within one block of the school that utilize the crosswalks as well. Unfortunately, most vehicles do not stop at crosswalks to give pedestrians the right of way to safely cross. Many vehicles fail to obey the posted school speed limit as well. The one measure that ensures traffic will stop and allow pedestrians to safely cross is our stop light.

While I understand that the money spent on this light isnt feasible to some, each and every member of our community is invaluable. The safety of our citizens, young and old, will be put at risk every day if the stop light is removed.

As a school board member, parent, and citizen of Oakes, I strongly encourage passing HB1246.

Thank you,

Monica Heimbuch