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Rep. Frank Hornstein and members of the Transportation Committee,

PROPOSED ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY

The main goal of Minnesotans for Safe Driving (MSD) is to assist victims of traffic crashes, educate the public to the dangers of all unsafe driving behaviors and work with other groups and government entities to reduce the carnage on our roadways. Unfortunately, after many years of steady decline in the numbers of traffic deaths and injuries, these numbers are moving in the wrong direction. Our state and nation must again put a priority on saving lives on our roadways.

This committee, Transportation, will be addressing the funding of a new Advisory Council for Traffic Safety. MSD is very supportive of this Council and believe it will bring an important group of people and agencies together to prioritize ways to stop this uptick of fatalities that have happened over these last 2 years and reverse back to the goal of "Toward Zero Deaths" with a steady decline in the numbers.

Please vote yes.