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Ms. Adrienne Coleman
Superintendent, Rock Creek Park
U.S. National Park Service
3545 Williamsburg Lane, NW
Washington, DC 20008-1207

Dear Superintendent Coleman:

With the advent of the warm weather season upon us, Rock Creek Park will again be filled with families and sports enthusiasts enjoying their weekends in this scenic landmark. Those of us living in this region are so fortunate to have one of the most beautiful parks of the National Park Service in our backyard.

However, with the arrival of Daylight Savings Time in early March, pedestrians and cyclists using Beach Drive are now suddenly confronted with the hazard of vehicular traffic when the road reopens before darkness has fallen. As the days become longer, reopening Beach Drive at 7:00 pm becomes a serious public safety issue for hundreds of Sunday visitors to the park.

For the safety of the many visitors who enjoy the recreational activities Rock Creek Park provides and on behalf of my District 16 constituents, I respectfully ask that you consider reopening Beach Drive after darkness on Sunday evenings. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bill Frick", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

C. William Frick