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Honorable James F. Brennan
New York State Assembly
416 Seventh Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11215

Dear Assemblyman Brennan:

This is in response to your June 25, 2013 letter to Commissioner McDonald requesting the New York State Department of Transportation investigate and explore potential safety improvements at the intersection of Church Avenue with the Prospect Expressway and Ocean Parkway in Brooklyn.

The Department has been working closely with the New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT) to study this intersection and to review potential changes that can enhance safety for pedestrians and still ensure safety for all other modes of travel. Improvements that are being considered include a pedestrian refuge area, protective barriers, lane channelization, additional signage and modifications to the traffic signals at this intersection. My staff has been developing recommendations that will be provided to NYCDOT for their consideration and implementation.

Thank you for your continued interest in our transportation program as we jointly strive to ensure that our arterial highway system meet the safety needs of the public including the residents of Brooklyn. If I can be of any further assistance, please contact me at 718-482-4526.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph T. Brown".

Joseph T. Brown, P.E.
Acting Regional Director

cc: Hon. Yvette Clarke
Hon. Kevin Parker
Hon. Brad Lander
Hon. Yidel Perlstein