Dear Councilmember Bostrom,

As a resident of Ward 6, I want to strongly encourage you to vote "yes" for the bike plan at the upcoming City Council meeting. I am a year-round cyclist that lives in your ward, and I hope that my son will have an easier time navigating traffic by bicycle than I have had. I often avoid riding my bicycle to certain locations because there is no easy way to get there by bicycle. We need a safe, connected system of bikeways in our city, and I dream of the day that I could take the Bruce Vento trail through Swede Hollow and onto the Downtown Loop to go to the Latimer Central Library, Children's Museum, or Landmark Center. Currently there is no way that I would ride that with my children (ages 5, 3, and 1). Please enthusiastically support this plan and its implementation.

Thank you,

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