1400 Broadstone Dr. Rocheport, MO 19107

October 13, 2021

The Honorable Ben Bueller 414 E 12th St. Kansas City, MO 64106

Dear Councilman Bueller:

Subject: Potholes on Broadstone St.

Damaged roads mean damaged cars. This past week, a total of 17 traffic incidents due to potholes were reported in Rocheport. It has become evident that potholes are a serious problem and it is pertinent that we take action to ensure the safety of our city and protect our community.

The problem was first brought to my attention upon the tragic news of Mr. Brown's accident. The accident occured last week on Birch Dr.; he swerved to avoid a pothole and drove straight into a tree. This horrific event has elicited concern amongst the people of Rocheport and we agree that the potholes must be fixed as soon as possible.

On Birch Dr. alone, six potholes line the street. I have been a resident of Rocheport for 13 years and have never seen such negligence. The potholes have done serious damage to my neighbors vehicles and we are outraged. In one specific incident, Dr. Jones was leaving for work and drove into a pothole. He later noticed a clicking sound in his car and took it into the shop, where he was informed of serious damage to his suspension. These potholes are causing permanent and deadly destruction to our motor vehicles.

Road safety should be a top priority in the utilization of taxpayer money. The people of Rocheport agree that the roads must be repaired as soon as possible to avoid any further damage. We are certain that the safety of our roads will aid in the overall safety of the community. While fixing potholes may be expensive, it is impossible to remain indifferent in light of recent events. The protection of the city and its citizens is in your hands; this is an opportunity to strengthen the trust and respect between the people and elected officials.

It is absolutely necessary that the potholes be fixed as soon as possible, preferably by the end of this month. As we enter the winter season, the road conditions will become even more dangerous. If the project is delayed, we may even run the risk of snow and ice inundating the potholes. Please ensure that a work crew is hired immediately to prevent any further delay.

Kayla Paolillo

The city of Rocheport thanks you for your continued dedication to the community.

Yours Sincerely,

Kayla Paolillo

Resident of Broadstone Dr., Rocheport, MO