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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to express my wholehearted support for making Promenade Wellington a permanent pedestrian street. My name is Emily Luu, I'm 27 years old, and I'm a frequent visitor to Wellington Street in Verdun. I'm there almost daily in the summer, and I can say with confidence that pedestrianizing the street year-round would be a game-changer for our community.

One of my biggest motivations for supporting this initiative is my belief in car-free streets. Cities should prioritize people over vehicles, and a pedestrian-friendly Wellington Street would do just that. It's always a pleasure strolling along the streets in the summer, enjoying that vibrant atmosphere and supporting local businesses along the way. Extending this atmosphere throughout the year would not only make the area safer for pedestrians but also more lively and inviting.

Additionally, I have some ideas for the pedestrian street that I think could enhance the area even more. Narrow, protected intersections would make crossing safer for everyone. Terrasses next to buildings invite people to stay, enjoy, and create a stronger sense of community. Transforming Place Wellington into a public square and park would provide a wonderful gathering spot for residents and visitors alike.

I honestly don't have any concerns with this proposal. In fact, I believe a pedestrian-only Wellington would make it even easier to support local businesses, as people would have safe and easy access to them all year. Walking or biking should naturally be the go-to options when shopping or dining in Verdun.

Thank you for considering my perspective. I hope to see Wellington Street flourish as a pedestrian space year-round, enhancing community connections and creating a more enjoyable environment for all.

Best regards,

Emily Luu