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Good afternoon Counsel Members, I am here today to address a very dangerous situation. I am speaking of Los Altos Parkway heading North just past Sparks Blvd. Last Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, I was on my way to Manor Care out in Wingfield after receiving an Emergency call from them about my husband who had had Open Heart Surgery a few days before. I was in the correct lane on Los Altos heading North when this huge ½ ton pickup truck came up on my right side and forced his way in, forcing me toward oncoming traffic. I first noticed him when I saw him come by my Passenger side window, and he made no effort to stop and missed my car by perhaps 3 inches. I was so petrified that he was either going to hit me or that I would be hit head-on by on-coming vehicles, that I had to slam on my brakes to keep from being hit, and prayed that cars behind me did not rear end my car. This should never be allowed to happen again.

The lane he was in is not a thru lane. However, this particular area is marked incorrectly, with just a large arrow pointing left. There was no sign indicating that lane should MERGE. I called a Counsel member and explained what had happened, and was assured that it would be turned over to John Martini to see what could be done to correct this situation. So far nothing has been done, and now my husband who attends Holy Cross Church on Vista each week has witnessed several vehicles doing the same thing. I changed my route so I did not go on this street, instead when I leave Mesa Meadows Subdivison where I live, I take Sparks Blvd. to Disc Drive, then turn left on Vista whenever I want to go out to either the Church or out shopping in Wingfield. LOS ALTOS is a DANGEROUS STREET, BUT I HAVE A SOLUTION. It amazed me that it would take an 83 year old woman to come up with something that should be as clear as the NOSE ON YOUR FACE.

THE SOLUTION IS: THE ARROW SHOULD BE POINTED TO THE RIGHT, NOT THE LEFT, and a sign RIGHT TURN ONLY SHOULD BE INSTALLED ON THE CORNER OF LOS ALTOS to accommodate the bank and the people who live in the subdivision on the right. Poles should be installed at the end of the Right turn lane to prevent cars from trying to force their way into traffic. Ladies and Gentlemen the solution is as simple as that. Now why couldn't an engineer figure this out? I sincerely hope that this is remedied before someone is either killed or severely injured there. Thank you for your time.

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Los Altos just pass Sparker Blvd.



Solution !!  
Arrow should  
be pointed  
to the RIGHT  
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A sign stating Right Turn Only should be on  
the corner of Sparks Blvd & Los Altos.

