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Chair, Committee on Public Safety  
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This letter serves as testimony in support of the City Council Committee on Public Safety’s efforts to address the shortage of crossing guards in NYC. Bronx Community Board 6 has learned that our District has roughly 20 crossing guards, while in 2022, this district was served by 41 crossing guards. This reduction in crossing guards has put students and parents at risk of harm by drivers.

In December of 2025, the Community Education Council for School District 12 conducted a survey of parents, where:

- 85.2% reported no crossing guard present at arrival time
- 86.9% reported no crossing guard present at dismissal
- 72.4% reported no replacement when a crossing guard is absent

The Community Board would like to voice our support for Introduction 0457, which would require reporting on crossing guard deployment locations in the city, and Introduction 0788, which would require reporting on crossing guard employment turnover. We hope that with more information, the Council can better advocate our needs when negotiating the city’s budget. Thank you, Council Member Feliz, for your attention to this issue and scheduling of the hearing today on this topic.

Regards,

Evonne Capers  
Chair  
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