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VIA HAND DELIVERY

February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007

The Honorable Joseph Cavo  
President, Danbury Common Council  
155 Dear Hill Ave  
Danbury, CT 06810

Re: Cell Phone Use by City Bus Drivers

Dear President Cavo,

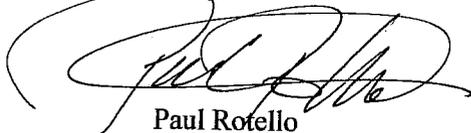
We are writing to request the appointment of an Ad-Hoc committee to prevent cell phone use and other diversions by local bus drivers while their vehicles are in motion and carrying passengers, especially school children. The aim is to increase safety by reducing the chance of accidents. Studies increasingly show that any use of a cell phone, even a hands-free model, is a serious and potentially dangerous distraction to drivers and their passengers.

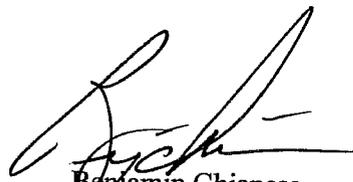
The City might achieve this through ordinance, contract negotiations, both, or yet some other means.

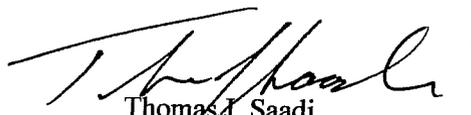
The committee shall include the Corporation Council and the Police Department, and may include representatives from the School Board, HART, the school bus companies, any applicable unions and driver representatives and other interested parties.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

  
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Councilman - 6<sup>th</sup> Ward

  
Benjamin Chianese  
Councilman - 6<sup>th</sup> Ward

  
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Democratic Minority Leader