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To:
City of Park Ridge
Photo Enforcement Program
P.O. Box 2525
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Subject: Contesting Red Light Violation – Citation #1705000793901879 Vehicle Plate #CZ39099

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to respectfully contest the red light violation issued under the citation referenced above. My name is Urmila Ravichandran, and I am the wife of Varun Mohan Kumar, the registered owner of the vehicle. I was driving the vehicle with his permission, hold a valid driver's license (LIC no.: R125-8409-2827), and am covered under our household's auto insurance policy. I was driving at the time of the incident on the evening of 5/11/2025.

After carefully reviewing the video evidence, I would like to provide additional context for your consideration.

As seen in the footage, I approached the red light intending to make a lawful right turn. I slowed down significantly as I neared the intersection and came to a brief pause between the 2–4 second mark of the video evidence. This significant deceleration and near stop reflects my intent to assess the situation and ensure it was safe to proceed.

At the time, both the lanes to the left and right of the intersection had green left-turn arrows, which meant cross-traffic was held, and there were no vehicles entering the lane I was turning into. Furthermore, a truck making a protected left turn from my right side further blocked the intersection, providing an additional indication that it was safe to proceed.

My decision to turn was made cautiously and in good faith, in accordance with Illinois law, which permits right turns on red after yielding to traffic and pedestrians. I understand and respect the importance of traffic signals and public safety. While I approached this turn with caution and sound judgment, I can assure you that going forward I will continue to be especially mindful by ensuring that I pause for a few seconds—even in situations that appear safe—before proceeding with any right turn at a red light.

Should my explanation not be found sufficient, I understand and will respectfully pay the citation in full. Thank you for your time and consideration in reviewing this explanation. I respectfully request that the citation be dismissed in light of the circumstances. I look forward to your decision.

Sincerely,

Signature of Driver: _____ **Urmila Ravichandran**

Signature of Vehicle's Registered Owner: _____ **Varun Mohan Kumar**