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Gentlemen;

I'm a father of two and grandfather of four grandchildren ages five to fourteen and have been living with my wife in the northeast section of Aurora for the past twenty years. Our community is bordered by Indian Trail Road on south, Farnsworth Avenue on west, Eola Road on east and I-88 on north.

The number of warehouses and the resulting commercial truck traffic has increased significantly over that time period. So much so that the pollution from noise and exhaust has changed our quality of life substantially. I have no known respiratory problems but my wife has sensitivity to dust and smoke and we both are bothered by noise levels that at times are intolerable. Often during days of pleasant weather we are unable to enjoy our yard and patio because noise or air pollution is excessive.

I have no statistics and cannot substantiate effects the amount of noise or air pollution has had in our area but undoubtedly adverse health impacts have occurred during our residency.

Why have commercial trucks not been subject to emissions laws as have private passenger vehicles? Why haven't existing pollution regulations been enforced for trucks? When you observe smoke spewing from exhaust pipes the vehicle is almost always a truck.

I understand that poorer economic communities can be more affected than others but we're not in a poor economic area and in our travels throughout northern Illinois I am amazed how many communities in all economic levels are also impacted. Increased truck traffic is pervasive throughout this state.

I cannot imagine the pollution my children and grandchildren will be subjected to if conditions continue to change as they have over the past twenty years.

It is long past time to require these vehicles be electrified! I'm not a fan of Elon Musk but if we have to bend over and offer huge incentives for him to build a manufacturing plant, we should do it and do it soon.