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Raymond Kelly  
Commissioner  
New York Police Department  
1 Police Plaza  
New York, New York 10007

Dear Commissioner Kelly:

I am writing this letter to request your assistance with an increasing problem in our borough, and probably throughout the city. We have seen a proliferation of dirt bikes being driven in our parks, on our streets, sidewalks and our highways in a very unsafe, often illegal manner.

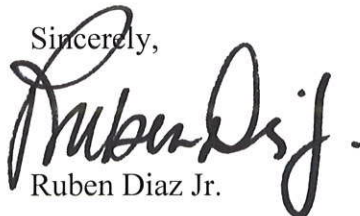
While I understand the position that the NYPD has taken in not chasing these bikes, as it creates a seriously dangerous situation, something must be done. These bike riders are going unchecked throughout the neighborhoods at all hours of the day in an ever increasing number. The large numbers consistently pose a threat to anyone that crosses their path.

In conversations with the borough police leaders we have discussed check points and targeting repair shops that service these bikes as a means to ensure that the bikes are registered and licensed. However, this does not address the unsafe riding and the violations of traffic laws that all vehicles must follow.

With summer upon us, this problem continues to grow. I am therefore requesting a plan of action to address this issue expeditiously, and I offer the full assistance of my office in creating that plan.

Please feel free to contact me directly or my Director of Operations, Marisol Halpern, at 718-537-7113 or email [mhalpern@bronxbp.nyc.gov](mailto:mhalpern@bronxbp.nyc.gov).

Sincerely,

  
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