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Hi,

I am writing to express my support for making the Greenleaf Promenafe a permanent part of the Uptown Whittier landscape. As a Whittier resident, I feel that the Promenade adds something to our community that has been lacking. While there are nice parks and places for outdoor recreation, we haven't had anywhere to eat and stroll in the beautiful Uptown area before now.

Whittier is a community that typically caters to and requires cars, and it has been a joy to have somewhere car-free, even if just for a few blocks. As someone who enjoys being a pedestrian, I have loved feeling safe while walking around (which isn't always possible with all of the traffic typically passing through Uptown). This area has given Whittier residents and visitors somewhere to enjoy meal times together outdoors, and it has allowed our beloved local restaurants and other businesses to stay solvent in a time when many haven't been so lucky.

To return Uptown to the way it was would be a mistake, and it would be a huge loss for the community here. Make the Promenade permanent.

Thanks for your time,
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