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Amherst, NY 14226

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To Whom It May Concern,

On March 20, 2021, I went rollerblading at 4:00PM. I frequently rollerblade in my neighborhood. While I was rollerblading I fell as a direct result of road work being done on Smallwood, near Northledge.

As the picture attached shows, there were two cuts made parallelly across Smallwood Drive and another set which run perpendicular on the road. The cuts, at that time, are connected. There was no signage indicating roadwork ahead. There were no cones. There was not equipment that would indicate to a person that work had started.

When I fell, the point of impact was my right side. I sustained immediate injury to my right thigh, right elbow, and the right side of my back. I also had immediate injury to my left knee. Pictures are included of the injuries. I was treated at Urgent Care on Maple Rd at the Dent tower.

The Physicians Assistant evaluated me, completed x-rays, cleaned wounds and prescribed some medication to help alleviate pain. Debris, which is seen in the picture of my thigh, was removed from the wounds, which was incredibly painful. The doctor told me to expect a lot of pain in the next couple days. I am experiencing symptoms of whiplash and radiant pain in my right thigh.

It is due to negligence that I was injured. It is difficult for me to understand how the crew assigned to a job in front of a school with a playground would not place warning, in some way, indicating the road work ahead. Community members, especially children, run, skate, and ride bikes daily down this road. My injuries could have been much more significant.

I ask that this concern be addressed quickly.

Thank you,

Rebecca Coe