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To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of my constituents in West Bromwich East to express my support for an injunction banning car cruising in the Black Country.

I hear regularly from many constituents about the issues they are experiencing with dangerous car cruising and street racing in my constituency. For example, the residents of Kenrick Way and the surrounding area in West Bromwich are regularly affected by noisy cars, large gatherings and dangerous driving on an evening. The events described to me by constituents are alarming, with clearly organised races taking place on West Bromwich's streets, with large numbers of spectators watching the race, and a well-oiled organisation working to frustrate the police's attempts to control this behaviour and evade arrest.

Since the expiration of the previous injunction, these issues have worsened and there is serious concern amongst residents and law enforcement that this could lead to a serious incident in the future involving drivers, spectators or innocent by-standers.

The issue is not just confined to West Bromwich either, with constituents in other areas of my constituency reporting excessive speeding, street racing and dangerous driving in Great Barr.

In total, 649 constituents of West Bromwich East have signed my petitions related to car cruising or speeding cars in the area, demonstrating that this is a significant issue that is affecting the day to day lives of my constituents.

An injunction would ensure our police have all available tools in the fight against this dangerous behaviour. On behalf of my constituents, I ask that you strongly consider granting an injunction.

Yours sincerely,

Nicola Richards MP
Member of Parliament for West Bromwich East

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