

## Response from Cary Lamari

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In favor of tunnel

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"Several years ago maybe a decade now, I was Chair of the Capital Projects committee for the Mid County Citizens Advisory Board. At that time a member of your community I believe her name was Judy Cairns expressed a need for a pedestrian walkway over the beltway ramps and along the underpass of Georgia Avenue to connect the Forest Glen community with the Montgomery Hills Commercial shopping area to make Georgia Avenue more pedestrian friendly. Judy and I took the lead to get that project included and funded on the CIP and built. I have spoken to Natalie Cantor, She has received a cost analysis of this particular project. She indicated to me it is a 11 million dollar project, that requires cooperation from the State Highway, Metro and the County. Natalie has also indicated the Mid County Advisory Board did include this as a priority Project to be included in the CIP in 2003, This Year will be the next opportunity for your community with the Mid County Citizens Advisory Board to be able to Chime in again. This is the first I have heard of this needed underpass at Forest Glen. Natalie is doing what she can to promote this project, but it still requires dedication and diligence on your part to work within the system to get important projects like this pushed Through, and I will if elected make sure this project goes forward as fast as possible. I wish I knew that two children were hurt at that intersection when I was President of the Montgomery County Civic Federation. I know the Federation is always concerned with pedestrian safety.... I believe it takes Community Participation to make things happen. I pledge my support for this project and will do what I can Elected or not."