*Information Supporting this Proposal*

Proposal Name: Parking Lot Markers

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It is difficult for individuals and especially seniors, to enter a grocery store or any other type of retail store, shop for an hour or so, return to a parking lot that has somewhat changed because there are twice as many cars or dusk has fallen and try to locate their car. Indivduals, many of them seniors laden with a cart full of groceries can be seen in parking lots, walking down rows of cars clicking their fobs and listening for a beep. I witnessed an older woman with a cart full of groceries crying because she could not find her car and had been looking for quite a while. At session last year, when I presented my Proposal, an individual told of his mother walking out of the store and to the spot where she thought she had parked her car, was unable to find it after looking all around for it, took a taxi home and reported it stolen. She then came back the next morning and found it.

Many stores, such as Walmart have 2 or 3 entrances – you may enter through one door, thinking you parked your car in the 5th space, 2nd row but exit through a different door and your blue vehicle is not in the 5th space, 2nd row where you thought you parked it but there are 2 dozen other blue vehicles.

This proposal would require retail stores with 100 or more parking spaces to **clearly** mark rows/spaces by letters and/or numbers, so a customer can make note upon entering the place of business and find their car easily whether it be ½ hour later or 3 hours later.

Cost would be to the business, but it would be a minimal initial cost and then continued maintenance as they do the parking lines and handicap spaces.