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To the Ketchum City Council:

I am particularly enthused about the momentum and community support behind the "Recommendation to Close Fourth Street from Walnut to Leadville Avenue."

As the local Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Coordinator, I whole-heartedly support all efforts to improve the bicycling and pedestrian infrastructure in the City of Ketchum, especially going east-west across downtown Ketchum and on routes to school.

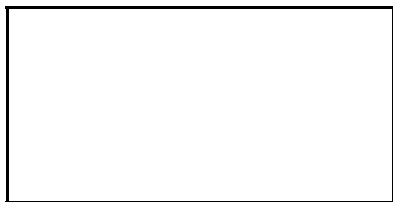
Ketchum has very limited infrastructure for biking east-west across downtown. The bike sharrows on 4th St. offer some visibility, yet the recommended car-free corridor would offer far more safety. Safety and travel mode choice are primary concerns for my work.

4th St. is of particular interest to me because it is a route to the Community School, along which I plan to lead a bike train program for students in the fall. A car-free corridor on 4th-- as originally planned-- would directly improve the safety of children bike-commuting to school.

I encourage you to move forward with the recommendation, actualize the original plan for 4th St., and consider the multifaceted benefits of improving and expanding bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. Thank you for considering my comment and working diligently to create an increasingly livable community.

Sincerely,
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