State of Washington House of Representatives



April 3, 2017

The Honorable Representative Richard Vial 900 Court St. NE, H-484 Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Representative Vial:

This letter is to recognize and thank you for your efforts to introduce and pass Oregon HB 3231. We also recognize the importance of addressing the growing traffic congestion in the Portland Metropolitan area and Southwest Washington region.

Your legislation, which would allow for the creation of limited access highways around the Portland metropolitan area if their local communities and governments wish to do this, opens up new possibilities for commuters and freight mobility for both our states. As citizens and goods move more easily along our highways, this also means greater economic development for our businesses and local communities.

We welcome and look forward to continued dialogue with you and your colleagues about ways to connect our two states across the river.

Sincerely,

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