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February 7, 2023

Joint Committee on Transportation
Oregon State Legislature
900 Court St. NE, Room 453

Dear Co-Chairs Gorsek and McLain and Fellow Committee Members,

At its regularly scheduled meeting on February 6, 2023 the Keizer City Council received testimony from local community members and unanimously voted to support HB 2095 allowing the city to choose for itself the right to use photo radar for speeding and allowing the city to adjust residential speed limits in increments of 10 miles per hour (mph) but not below 20 miles per hour. Other communities have found these tools to be effective in reducing the number of incidents on their streets. Keizer would also like to have that tool at its discretion to implement to protect our residents.

One resident spoke at our meeting about three teen drivers who might have been saved by traffic calming measures like this. We will never know what impact these measures could have had, but looking forward we can at least say we did all that we could have done.

ODOT measured the success of photo radar in work zones in 2018 with the City of Medford and found a significant reduction in violations and reductions in speed. The City of Keizer requests that the Committee pass HB 2095 with a do pass recommendation.

Sincerely,

Mayor Cathy Clark

CC: Sen. Brian Boquist, Rep. Shelly Boshart Davis, Sen. Lyn Findley, Sen. Lew Frederick, Sen. Aaron Woods, Rep Paul Evans, Rep. Jeffrey Helfrich, Rep. Kevin Mannix, Rep. Nancy Nathanson, Rep. Khanh Pham, Sen. Kim Thatcher

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