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to whom it may concern,

i can't remember how long ago i got my endorsement, but i've certainly accumulated around 50,000 miles worth of riding over the years. as a i ride more and more, i pick up more safety habits, and learn how to become more aware of my environment. one important thing i've learned is to always keep my eyes in my mirrors each and every time im stopped on my motorcycle. getting rear ended on the freeway in a traffic jam is a very real danger that can lead to a fatality. legalizing lane splitting could help reduce this risk.

furthermore, even though most motorcycles have some form of cooling, some riders still experience overheating while stuck in traffic, during the hot summer months. lane splitting ensures a safer and cooler ride.

lastly, but just as important as my first point, with an ever increasing traffic problem in portland and the surrounding areas, lane splitting allows motorcyclists to commute easier during rush hour. this would promote motorcycles as an alternative to cars. it would encourage more people to get out of large vehicles and onto smaller 2 wheel motorcycles, making more room on the road.

im keeping my fingers crossed for a positive outcome.
all the best,
cris.