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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital

Construction

Measure: SB5701

I am urging you to pass SB 5701, which includes \$750,000 in funding to improve safety and access at George Park in Portland's St. Johns' neighborhood.

George Park is within walking distance of 4 schools in the neighborhood, but despite it being centrally located in an area with a lot of youth and families, this 2-acre green space severely lacks infrastructure that would promote more positive usage of the space. The community that uses this space would benefit from more playground infrastructure like swings and a splash pad on hot days. Improvements that encourage more gatherings like picnic tables, a Ramada and basketball courts would help promote more positive uses of the space and improve safety.