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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2738

Dear Oregon State Legislators,

I am writing in full support for Representative Travis Nelson's proposed House Bill 2738, which would fully ban the use of leaded gasoline fuel at the Portland International Raceway (PIR).

The people of North Portland have been fighting for almost a decade for the publicly owned and operated racetrack to ban leaded fuel at races. The health impacts of leaded gasoline on people, particularly children and the elderly, is well known and thoroughly documented. Furthermore, there have been extensive studies on the impact of leaded gasoline at racetracks specifically and the detriment to health in surrounding areas.

(<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2023/jun/21/lead-emissions-racetracks-portland-international-raceway>)

The UN celebrated the banning of leaded fuel in all countries across the globe in 2021 (<https://ourworldindata.org/data-insights/every-country-has-now-banned-the-use-of-leaded-gasoline-in-cars>).

It is beyond time for the use of leaded fuel to be banned at PIR!

We ask all of Oregon State Representatives to support the bill and vote to approve resolution HB 2738 to protect our community's health and well being.

On behalf of the Kenton Neighborhood Association, thank you for your time and work protecting the environmental health of Oregonians,

Felicia Gray