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On Behalf Of:
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I am writing in unequivocal 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).

My family lives about one mile from the Portland International Raceway and we enjoy visiting PIR for various events, including the Winter Lights, bike races, and car shows. However, learning that our kids and sometimes our dog are walking around on a track with known lead contamination is unconscionable. While I know there are probably many folks arguing that it should be allowed to continue, the health of PIR's neighbors and attendees should be put above other considerations.

What possible reason could there be to continue to allow leaded fuel to be used? How can anyone argue that increased lead levels in the environment don't cause harm? Human lives are more important than fast engines no matter where a track is located.

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.

Thank you for your time and work protecting the environmental health of Oregonians.

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