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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and  
Environment  
Measure, Appointment or  
Topic: HB2738

Chair Lively and the members of the committee,

My name is RJ DeMello, and I'm the Chair of the St. Johns Neighborhood Association. On Monday, February 10th, we hosted our general meeting, where 50+ community members unanimously approved a letter of support for HB 2738. The racetrack is less than two miles from George Middle School and Roosevelt High School in our neighborhood. In fact, eight schools throughout North Portland are within two miles of racetrack. We know the negatives of leaded fuel on our health, and we know the increased negative impact it has on children. We simply cannot continue to put the children of St. Johns and all of North Portland at risk like this. It's an easy call. Advance this bill out of committee so it can pass the house and begin to right this wrong.

Thank you for your time,

RJ DeMello  
SJNA Chair