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On Behalf Of:

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As a resident of Portland for fifteen years, I strongly support HB 2738 to ban leaded fuel at race tracks. Despite the federal ban on leaded gasoline in 1996, leaded fuel in racing poses an unnecessary health risk, especially to children. Studies show low lead exposure impairs cognitive development, lowers IQ, and causes behavioral problems. Air quality monitoring near race tracks reveals concerning lead particle levels that travel and settle in nearby residential areas. We cannot justify using this neurotoxin in densely populated urban areas when safer alternatives are widely used in modern motorsports.