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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2738

To Whom it May Concern: I grew up in and currently live in North Portland with my husband and two children. I support HB2738 for two reasons: 1) the health of my kids, and 2) the sustainability of our community. My kids spend hours (hours!) playing soccer at Delta Park, which is located approximately 0.25 miles from the Portland International Raceway. It is established that any exposure to lead by children is unacceptable. Reducing their exposure by eliminating leaded gasoline at PIR seems like an easy and no-brainer way to protect our children's health. If leaded gasoline is outlawed everywhere else, why not here?

After spending years working on cleaning up contaminated sites, it is clear that if we are not careful, today's fun can quickly become tomorrow's Superfund site costing our community hundreds of thousands of dollars. Passing 2738 will cut off the ongoing contribution of lead to soil and surface water contamination at a Portland park.

Thank you.