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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Dear Co-Chairs McLain and Gorsek and Members of the Committee,

I write today in support of the increased transit funding and the STIF program in HB 2025. The increased funding for the STIF program in this package will help prevent significant cuts to public transit service across Oregon.

I have used public transportation all my life, both growing up here in Portland and in the various places I was stationed during 11 years in the US Army. As a retired senior, I am much more reliant on public transportation due to certain physical limitations. Also, it is more environmentally friendly. I use the bus and MAX in the Portland area several times a week. If the service were cut, my life would become much more limited.

While the funding proposed in this package is not enough to provide the additional transit service I would like to see, it will prevent Oregonians like me from being stranded without the transportation access I depend on. Please support HB 2025.

Sincerely,

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