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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

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.

As someone who lives and works in the Beaverton area, I rely on public transit to get around for work, errands, and personal commitments. I primarily use TriMet buses and the MAX, which help me stay connected without needing to drive everywhere—especially as a college student and young professional working remotely in HR for a local business.

If transit service were reduced or taken away, it would significantly impact my ability to stay mobile and connected. I'd lose access to a vital service that supports my independence and ability to contribute to the community.

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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