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I would like to urge you to support increased funding for public transit through HB 2025. I am a frequent transit user in Beaverton and Portland, finding it to be generally the best way to get around town, turning stressful drives into relaxed journeys that allow me to use travel time productively. I'm lucky to live somewhere that offers good public transit, and there are myriad benefits for everyone, regardless of whether or not they use transit themselves, from reduced traffic, pollution, road wear, parking demands and travel expense, to improved work/errand/recreation access and health outcomes. Should transit funding be reduced, I and many others will be forced to take car journeys instead, adding more vehicles to our congested streets and decreasing quality of life along many dimensions.