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Senator Chris Gorsek
Senator Bruce Starr
Representative Susan McLain
Representative Shelly Boshart Davis
Joint Committee on Transportation Reinvestment

Dear Co-Chairs and Members of the Committee:

I am submitting this testimony on behalf of Asian Health & Service Center (AHSC), a 42-year old community organization with a mission to be the bridge between Asian and American cultures and build a harmonious community. Our vision is to reduce health inequity and improve health care quality for all Asians.

AHSC urges you to support House Bill 2025, the Transportation Reinvestment Package, including increased funding for the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). Passing this important bill will save transit service that Oregonians depend on every day.

As a recipient of STIF funds through the Ride Connection Network, AHSC operates a 14-passenger mini-bus three days per week to shuttle seniors, disabled adults and other community members from their homes to ASHC's main location to access vital health and community services.

Rising costs combined with declining funding have placed our transits service at risk. If lawmakers do not take action and pass HB 2025 in this legislative session, transit agencies across Oregon will be forced to cut service and leave tens of thousands of Oregonians stranded without the service they depend and preventing many individuals from accessing health care and other vital services.

House Bill 2025 does not necessarily meet all of the funding needs, but it does represent a good compromise, preserving Oregon's transportation system, including funding that will prevent a disaster scenario for public transit. We urge members of the Legislature to pass the transportation package this legislative session, including the proposed increased funding for the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF).

Sincerely,

Holden Leung
CEO