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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Support for HB 2025 – STIF funding

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 use transit to get to work in Long-term care every day where I care for vulnerable elders. I ride the bus in Portland, Oregon. I love my bus commute, it's a peaceful break in my day between caring for my 8-year-old triplets and working with elders. I am not able to drive safely due to health conditions so if I could not take transit I would not be able to get to my job, or support my family. So many people rely on public transit just like I do, to get safely to work, medical appointments, and grocery shopping.

The funding proposed in this package will prevent Oregonians like me from being stranded without the transportation access I depend on. Please support HB 2025.

Sincerely,

Amanda Perl

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