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TO: House Transportation and Economic Development Committee

FR: Craig Honeyman, Legislative Director – League of Oregon Cities

RE: HB 2464 – Multimodal Transportation Fund

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The League of Oregon Cities is pleased to once again support the Multimodal Transportation Fund, otherwise known as *ConnectOregon*. This will be the sixth time that the Legislature has authorized lottery funds to support multimodal transportation investment throughout Oregon – and the League has supported the program each time.

Cities all over the state have benefitted from the funding support that this program provides all sectors of the transportation system – bike/ped, freight, aviation, marine, rail and transit. It is the League's hope that the program will be re-authorized and funded at the appropriate amount so as to address additional transportation challenges and opportunities in Oregon while at the same time acknowledging that there other important infrastructure investments that also must come out of lottery revenues.

Should the Legislature decide to undertake a comprehensive transportation funding a policy package, it also the League's hope that *ConnectOregon* becomes part of that discussion and is included in the package.

Again, the League of Oregon Cities supports HB 2464.

