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Dear Oregon House,

My name is Ovid Boyd and I am writing you to ask you to support the proposal to allow cities to set lower speed limits without approval from ODOT.

The number of deaths on Oregon's roads has been rising rapidly in recent years. Whether you are in a car, walking or biking, you are substantially more likely to live if vehicles are moving at slower speeds.

I grew up in rural Oregon, where slow speeds are the default through populated areas. For instance, Burns has a 25 mph speed limit through town. However, today I live in Portland where I work for a school district. The road on our school is located has a 45 mph speed limit. It is simply unsafe for an urban road to have a speed limit like that. Allowing the city to lower it will save lives; which means by getting HB 2682 into law you will save someone's life.

Thanks for your time,  
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