

From: Susan Minor
To: [HTP Exhibits](#)
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Hello,

I am writing on behalf of my family to offer our strong support of House Bill 2667 to establish the Task Force on Vision Zero: Achieving Zero Traffic Crashes, Injuries and Fatalities. Please add this to any testimony presented at the House Committee on Transportation Policy meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 8:00 am .

As a retired nurse and physician, we have for years advocated for the health and public safety of those in our community, but it was not until we lost our precious son David in a bicycle accident in 2008 that we became acutely aware of the number of transportation-related injuries and fatalities that occur in Oregon every year. Since then, we have pledged out support and a donation of \$150,000 toward the construction of a two-way protected bikeway from downtown Eugene to the University of Oregon. This bikeway seemed like a perfect opportunity to honor our son, a UO graduate and committed cyclist, while proactively working toward preventing other similar tragedies. Prevention is the key, and, unlike many illnesses and natural disasters, traffic-related accidents **CAN ALL BE PREVENTED**. We are very hopeful that this bikeway will be constructed, but it will only address cyclists in a small section of Eugene. There is a great need to address traffic safety in the whole of our state, and we sincerely hope that the goals of Vision Zero will be realized so that **ALL** of Oregon will be free of **ALL** traffic crashes, injuries, and deaths. We believe it is possible. Please vote yes on HB 2667.

Sincerely,

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