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Co-Chair Senator Lee Beyer, Co-Chair Caddy McKeown, and Members of the Joint Committee on Transportation,

I write this on behalf of a number of Lake Oswego constituents who have met with me and told me their stories. Mothers have told me of being unable to get their citizen children to vital doctor's appointments, Fathers have told of days of work missed – all for want of not having an Oregon driver's license. The economic and emotional harm due to the inability to obtain an Oregon driver's license because of their current immigration status takes a toll on families, people who have live quiet, productive lives in our communities. People whom I count amongst my friends.

The other side of this equation is the population-wide public safety policy elements. Licensing all drivers is a simple way to insure safer roads and communities for all. Taking care of all Oregonians is paramount part of who we are. It is what I strive to achieve in Lake Oswego and beyond. It is what those who are impacted by do for one another, and yes, for me.

Please know that I am speaking as an individual Councilor and my views may not represent those of my council colleagues.

For the people who had the courage to ask for help in this matter, I encourage this committee to pass HB 2015.

Thank you for your thoughtful service and consideration.

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