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I would like to see public transportation a priority in this legislation. This is the most democratic, climate-friendly, money-saving use of our tax dollars. Convenient, safe, efficient, public transportation means we all can go where we need to go without polluting our air and water, without overheating our planet, and having more money to spend on other things. Our dependence on the automobile, the design of our cities and suburbs for the convenience of our personal vehicles, our current belief that we can stop climate change by buying more expensive cars—these things have brought us all to a difficult place, but have made life even more challenging for people with disabilities, people without much money, and people who are just too old or too young to drive themselves. Let's invest in transportation for the future, and move away from our past mistakes. Anyone who imagines that widening a freeway will solve transportation problems should spend some time in Los Angeles.