Dear members of the Joint Committee for Transportation,

I am writing to ask you to prioritize strong and equitable funding for Safe Routes to School, complete streets, strong, reliable public transit and active transportation networks across the state in your upcoming 2025 transportation bill. I would especially like you to prioritize this funding for our most vulnerable communities, such as young and old, disabled and low income sectors. Let's continue to create communities where people feel safe and are drawn to use active and public transportation routes rather than continue down the path of car culture. Our communities will be stronger, healthier and more connected when people can interact with each other directly rather than through the turn signals of their vehicles.

We're counting on you to work with us to make a better and more resilient future for us all.

Thank you for your serious consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely, Kirsten Davis Philomath, OR