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The Alameda Bike Bus led by Coach Balto has had a significant positive impact on our son and the school community as a whole. Our son looks forward to the weekly Bike Bus with great anticipation (regardless of the weather). This has been wonderful as an opportunity for promoting fitness and also for letting off steam and nervousness before the official start of the school day. It has helped our son with confidence and independence, and he has gotten to know other students through this activity. He loves participating with a friend and on his own. The community comes together to prepare the students to ride and cheer them on along the way and the Bike Bus signs proudly dot our neighborhood. This has been great for students and families, has clear environmental benefits, and would be a tremendous asset for other schools and communities in Oregon. We hope you will support this bill and allow other communities to enjoy this extraordinary resource.