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Chairs McLain and Gorsek, and Members of the Joint Transportation Committee Oregon State Legislature 900 Court St NE Salem, OR 97301

Dear Chairs McLain and Gorsek, and Members of the Joint Transportation Committee:

On behalf of the City of Eugene, I am writing to express our support for HB 3626, which will establish clear, enforceable micromobility regulations and enhance safety for all road users. As local leaders responsible for managing transportation networks, we recognize the urgent need for consistent statewide rules to guide the safe and responsible use of e-bikes and other micromobility devices.

We support this legislation because it will support our work to meet city goals of:

- Decreasing single occupancy vehicle trips
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- Creating safer streets

We have been part of the Micromobility Working Group, chaired by Rep. Daniel Nguyen, and believe that HB 3626 reflects real-world needs and solutions for communities across Oregon. This bill removes ambiguity of current laws and establishes clear definitions, standardized safety requirements, and tools that prioritize safety without limiting access to low-cost transportation options.

With the growing adoption of e-bikes and other micromobility devices we are seeing more and more need to provide guidance and resources to educate our community about safe micromobility use and HB 3626 would make this more possible. For these reasons, the City of Eugene urges the legislature to pass HB 3626.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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