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On Behalf Of:

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Funding

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3991

I submit testimony for today's hearing to add my strong support for maintaining – at a minimum – the increase in the payroll tax for transit. Please consider the consequences of NOT doing so for those who depend on public transit to get to their jobs and all other destinations, and for the increasingly urgent need to reduce climate pollution.

Hence, I oppose any amendments that would reduce transit or safety funding, further weaken climate protections, refer this issue to the ballot, or otherwise delay the urgently needed budget patch for transit agencies, and city, county, and state transportation departments.

Thank you for your deliberations on this holiday weekend.

Sincerely, Emily Polanshek