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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Dear Co-Chairs McLain and Gorsek and Members of the Committee,

I write today in support of the increased transit funding and the STIF program in HB 2025. The increased funding for the STIF program in this package will help prevent significant cuts to public transit service across Oregon.

I rely on Trimet buses and Max trains to get around Portland metro, it's how I get to work and get to my doctors. Not just me but thousands of others rely on these kinds of transportation. Trimet has also been a huge help in letting me explore Portland and surrounding areas. And meet some awesome drivers and riders! If bus lines were cut, it would most definitely affect me, considering the bus that's close to me just got more frequent stops.

While the funding proposed in this package is not enough to provide the additional transit service I would like to see, it will prevent Oregonians like me from being stranded without the transportation access I depend on. Please support HB 2025.

Sincerely,

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