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Clackamas County 2051 Kaen Rd. Oregon City, OR 97045

Re: Support for Clackamas County to Enact a Vehicle Registration Fee

Dear Board of County Commissioners:

On behalf of The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), we are offering this letter in support of Clackamas County's consideration to enact a countywide vehicle registration fee (VRF). A VRF would provide the cities and county with greater ability and additional resources to address congestion, safety, and maintenance needs for our roads.

We acknowledge that Clackamas County is the only one of the three Portland metropolitan area counties that has no local source of transportation revenue. The funding in the form of a vehicle registration fee would help by:

- generating a reliable revenue stream which would continue to multiply as development occurs;
- creating a user fee that relates to the use of the roads which we feel is fair; and
- efficiently collecting and distributing the funding with minimal administrative costs.

We support Clackamas County making a bold decision today to address local transportation funding needs through passage of a VRF by ordinance.

Bob La Salle
TAC Chairperson

Sincerely,