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Dear Governor Kotek, Clackamas County State Legislators, and Members of the Joint Committee on Transportation:

We write to express our gratitude to Governor Kotek, Legislative leadership, members of the Clackamas Caucus, and other legislators who helped bring about the pause on toll collection until January 2026. This bipartisan, bicameral effort is an example of working together for the benefit of our mutual constituents.

While appreciative of the pause, Clackamas County has many questions about its implementation and next steps. Additionally, we strongly believe that local stakeholders must have a role and voice as the newly created Subcommittee on Transportation Planning begins its work.

We ask for your help to ensure that the next steps of this process result in an approach that has local support. To that end, it is critical that the subcommittee create opportunities for local, non-legislator input, such as a workgroup or advisory committee.

Thank you for bringing transparency and legislative oversight to ODOT's tolling proposals to ensure Oregonians that communities will not suffer undue safety impacts, isolation, or economic hardship. We look forward to partnering with you in this ongoing work.

Sincerely,

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