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To Whom It May Concern:

OHSU supports the Frog Ferry pilot project, which would provide ferry service for commuters from the St. Johns and Cathedral Park neighborhoods to RiverPlace. The intent of this pilot project is to provide proof of concept for a larger passenger ferry service on the Willamette River, which could benefit many employers, neighborhoods, and tourist destinations in Portland's Central City.

OHSU's students and employees commute from all reaches of Portland and its surrounding communities. OHSU has very limited parking, only about 7,000 parking stalls at its central campus to accommodate more than 20,000 daily visitors (pre-COVID). As such, about 60% of OHSU's workforce commutes to work by biking, walking, taking transit, carpooling, or working remotely. With OHSU's Schnitzer Campus located ½ mile south of the proposed ferry dock, there is opportunity to diversify access to the campus for a portion of our employees and provide commuters with another sustainable transportation connection.

As the Portland Metro region continues to experience growth, the increased population will result in more demand on our already congested roadways. Utilizing the Willamette River as a transportation corridor has the ability to ease traffic congestion, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and help connect people to jobs, education and leisure activities.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "G. Moawad", written in a cursive style.

Greg Moawad  
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