



From the Office of Representative Hòa Nguyễn

September 1, 2025

Timothy G. Sekerak
Chief Clerk of the House
State Capitol Building
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Vote Explanation on HB 3991 A

Dear Chief Clerk Sekerak,

Today I voted yes on HB 3991 A, Oregon's transportation funding package. This is not a vote I take lightly; I know that Oregonians are already facing high costs of living. But this package is about protecting safety, preserving jobs, and ensuring that our communities, urban and rural alike, have the transportation systems they depend on.

This funding goes directly to cities and counties across Oregon. This includes communities like East Portland that have historically been underinvested in, where families deserve safe streets, reliable transit, and infrastructure that matches the scale of their needs. It also helps rural communities like Damascus and the unincorporated parts of Clackamas County, where residents rely on county-maintained roads that have been chronically underfunded. Equally important, this package includes strong accountability measures. Oregonians have a right to know their money is being spent wisely: this legislation requires performance audits, stronger legislative oversight, and new safeguards against cost overruns. These provisions ensure that ODOT is held accountable; if we are asking working families to contribute more, we must also commit to making sure every dollar is used responsibly.

The alternative, doing nothing, would have meant hundreds of ODOT layoffs, closed maintenance facilities, and reduced ability to respond to wildfires and winter storms. That outcome would have endangered both our safety and our economy.

Over the past year, even while undergoing treatment for Stage 4 cancer, I have remained engaged in this process and committed to serving District 48. My constituents in East Portland and rural Clackamas County deserve safe roads and reliable infrastructure.

This vote reflects my commitment to protecting jobs, safeguarding infrastructure, and making sure Oregon's transportation system works for all of us.

Sincerely,

State Representative Hòa Nguyễn
Oregon House District 48
East Portland/Damascus/Happy Valley/Boring