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MMC Statement on Metro Transportation Measure

The Metropolitan Mayors' Consortium supports the passage of Metro's Get Moving 2020 transportation measure for the following reasons:

Community

- **Equity:** Emphasizes investments in equitable access to transit for BIPOC communities, which are historically more likely to live in places that aren't adequately served by transit.
- **Safety:** Several of the proposed investments focus on infrastructure for new sidewalks, street lighting, and crossings on major roads and near schools that will improve pedestrian and bicycle safety in our communities.
- **Anti-displacement:** BIPOC communities will be given a seat at the table to provide oversight and guidance in how the investments and projects are designed and implemented, while ensuring neighborhoods remain whole.

Environment

- **Climate Change:** Investments and programs in the Get Moving measure incorporate and align with our state's shared climate goals to address climate change for future generations through alternate modes of transportation and transportation efficiency.
- **Congestion:** The Get Moving measure addresses our region's growing congestion issues with investments in signal and intersection improvements, rapid bus improvements on several major corridors, and the extension of MAX in the SW Corridor.

Economy

- **Economic Development:** During a time of immense economic challenges, analysis shows that the measure's regional infrastructure investments have the potential to create 37,500 jobs in our region.
- **Growth:** The investments and programs reimagine an interconnected, multi-modal transportation infrastructure that will adequately handle the Metro Region's expected population growth of one million people by 2060.
- **Funding Mechanism:** At a time when traditional funding sources are falling short, the Get Moving measure leverages \$1 billion in federal funds for future light rail projects. We recognize our region's residents and businesses budgets are stretched thin, which is why we believe these types of investments toward our future transportation system are needed—that includes local government initiatives.

We urge an affirmative vote by the electorate in November to create jobs, help reinvigorate the economy, and move our region's transportation system forward.

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