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To Whom it May Concern:

I am voting on behalf of my family for sidewalks and bike lanes on Capitol Hwy.

As you can see, my house is on Capitol. In order to walk into Multnomah Village (also on Capitol), I take the following route: Walk down Marigold, walk up the hill, turn left on Dolph, Right on Spring Garden, down and up the hills to 35th, across the street and up into the village. I dream of a day in which I can walk straight down my own street to Multnomah Village. The reason I generally skip Capitol is that, with a young daughter who wants nothing more than to break in her new walking shoes, it is too dangerous. There is uneven terrain, dips and valleys, water runoff, gravel, and, at times, I need to walk directly in the street, in the way of any bicyclists and dangerously near the cars. This is impossible with a walker and difficult with a stroller. I have an all-terrain stroller and it is challenged by Capitol. I have replaced tires twice in a year.

When I want to cross the street to go toward Woods Park, I often have to wait for more than a full minute because cars are not looking for pedestrians on a sidewalk-less corner and, again, it is unsafe for me to cross.

I hear that Capitol improvements are a top priority, and I want to emphasize that I support the plan to put in sidewalks and bike lanes as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time,  
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