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LD 209

Senator Chipman, Representative Williams, and Members of the Transportation Committee:

My name is Julie Scammell and I am a resident of Falmouth. I am writing to testify in strong support of Rep. Bell's proposed amendment to LD 209, "Resolve, to Direct the Department of Transportation to Implement the Recommendation of the Portland to Auburn Rail Use Advisory Council."

Having this rail trail through my community would be an incredible resource for me, my family, and my community. My family and I are enthusiastic cyclists and would love a safe place, away from traffic, to ride our bikes. In Falmouth you take your life in your hands when either walking, running or biking because there are small or no shoulders to the roads.

I experienced a similar project in a friend's town in upstate New York. She showed me how simple stopping points along the trail had popped up to offer quick refreshments. It was a very enjoyable and SAFE bike ride.

Thank you.
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