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Dear Senator Pierce, Representative Gere, and Members of the Joint Select Committee on Housing;

My name is Jennifer Curtis, and I'm writing as the Director of Planning for the City of Bath, Maine. Bath is currently updating its comprehensive plan, and as part of the process the community identified through a future land use planning exercise, the areas where it most wants to see transformational change. Though the community may be divided alternately by a 5' tall concrete wall and a four-lane viaduct, it is highly united behind the desire for transformational change along the Route 1 corridor. The city faces a great challenge in blending the ongoing use of the Route 1 corridor with its goals of neighborly interactions, historical quality of place, and local economic vitality. Additional State resources are critically needed to assist communities like ours in making intentional transformative change locally, that will have Statewide beneficial impacts.

I thank you for your time and welcome your questions.

Best regards,

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