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October 26, 2015

The Honorable Jim McDermott
U.S. House of Representatives
1035 Longworth House Office Building
Washington D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman McDermott:

We want to thank you for the opportunity to meet with Jacqueline Gosnell in September. Your work on behalf of our community is sincerely appreciated and I look forward to continuing our work together in the months ahead.

We were especially pleased to share with your office that the City of Shoreline has secured all of the necessary funds to complete the redevelopment of SR-99 in Shoreline. This \$130 million project was the primary goal of the first Shoreline City Council when we incorporated in 1995 and we have been working steadfastly with our partners at a regional, state and federal level to bring this project to completion. We hope to see you at the **Aurora Corridor Project Completion Celebration Saturday, December 5, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at City Hall**. An invitation has been extended to your state office and we would welcome you speaking at the event and being recognized for your contributions to the project.

Our community is excited for light rail as we discussed in September, but also realistic about the changes that are necessary. We are bringing light rail to a single family home community and need to make significant utility, street, infrastructure and transportation upgrades in order to meet the goals envisioned under the Growth Management Act. These needs are significant and will require the financial support of the local, regional, state and federal partners in order to succeed on schedule.

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To that end, we urge you to work this year to develop additional federal financing tools for cities to use to meet their infrastructure and economic development goals. These tools, whether in the form of competitive grants or increased eligibility for existing programs, are crucial to our city's growth.

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The Honorable Maria Cantwell
United States Senate
311 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Cantwell:

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The Honorable Susan Delbene
U.S. House of Representatives
318 Cannon House Office Building
Washington D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Delbene:

We want to thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and Casey Katims in September. I know Shoreline is not part of your district, but I really appreciate you meeting with us to discuss the City's 145th St Corridor project which will connect cities in your district to Light Rail in Shoreline.

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The Honorable Patty Murray
United States Senate
154 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington D.C. 20510

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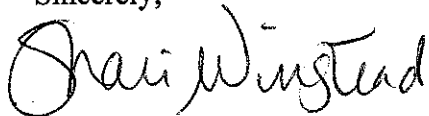
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