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KCMO Public Testimony,

My name is Dee and I live in Lenexa, KS. I am imploring you to pass Ordinance #251053 and to fully fund the bus system in Kansas City. Kansas Citians rely on reliable bus service. Please keep your promise and fully fund bus service in Kansas City.

Despite not living within the KCATA service region, I do rely on KCATA service anytime I go into the city. I live car-free in Lenexa, and heavily rely on what little service exists here in order to access amenities that are more transit-accessible. The buses are lifelines for many, and I know firsthand how devastating service cuts can be. I know family friends who have been cut off from their jobs and forced to walk miles because of service cuts. As workers, we should not have to dedicate hours of our lives every year to fight to have access to a right as basic as dignified transportation. More cars on the road will leave ALL Kansas Citians worse off-- we will see more pedestrian fatalities, higher traffic congestion, and lower air quality. All this can be avoided by fully funding, and hopefully expanding, our bus service.

Thank you for your consideration,
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