

Dear Chair Cortvriend and Committee members,

My name is Susana Galvis and I am a student at Classical High. I am also a student advocate at Young Voices. I am writing in support of Bill H7127 funding the RIPTA budget and urging you to support the restoration of funding for RIPTA by undoing the service cuts.

This bill is important to me because RIPTA is used by many students that I can see being affected by the budget cuts. RIPTA is a major form of transportation and it needs to be available for students to get to school, programs and home.

This bill should be passed because it will help to make RIPTA better for the community. The budget will help students on RIPTA be early for school. I am in support of the full budgetary funding, including the \$13.8M in the Governor's FY2027 budget to close RIPTA budget deficit, and urge you to support Rep. Alzate's H8256 to increase funding by \$5 million to return RIPTA to September 2025 levels.

I am urging you to pass bill H7127. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony.

Sincerely,
Susana Galvis