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Dear Governor Inslee,

I am writing to give my support and endorsement on behalf of the Teamsters Local 589 on the Olympic Peninsula. We fully support Kitsap Transit's request for an increase in funding to support Passenger-Only Ferry (POF) sailings on the interim basis until Washington State Ferries (WSF) is able to fully restore normal sailings to the current Bremerton to Seattle schedule. Teamsters Local 589 covers Kitsap, Clallam and Jefferson County. Most of our members live in Kitsap and these neighboring counties. Many of them work for private businesses or one of the many municipalities on the Olympic Peninsula. The ferry routes are essential to our economy and we implore you to consider the impact on the community when we have disruptions to ferry service. Again, we fully support Kitsap Transit's request to have the state increase funding to the POF sailings until WSF is able to fully restore normal sailings. Thank you for your time and consideration in this urgent request.

Sincerely,

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