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To Mayor Bennett and the Salem City Council:

Northeast Neighbors (NEN) is writing to support two proposed revenue options, the operating fee and the employee-paid payroll tax. We believe to maintain public safety and our quality of life in Salem that having a City that has sufficient revenue to support police, fire, emergency services, parks, and the homeless rental assistance program will help make our community livable and safe.

On September 3, the Northeast Neighbors (NEN) board unanimously voted to support both the operating fee and the employee-paid payroll tax. We urge that the City Council pass these proposals for increased revenue to support important services for our City.

Thank you for considering our request.

Best,

Lynn Takata

Northeast Neighbors (NEN) Chair

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