KCMO Public Testimony,

My name is Liz Davis, and I am a 5th District Resident. I am reaching out to urge you to amend the current proposal for bus funding, Ordinance #250247. Bus services are a lifeline to many in our city, from getting to work, to receive healthcare, and more. It is essential to amend Ordinance #25047 so that critical improvements can be made to preserve service and universal Zero Fare.

KCATA announced that this proposed ordinance will NOT provide sufficient funding to maintain current levels of bus service. Instead, weekend service will be limited to just 7 routes, frequency will be reduced, and union drivers will be laid off. The outcome of these cuts are nothing short of catastrophic and essentially guarantee failure of our bus system.

There has been an enormous swell of demands from constituents for you to save the bus system, and you and your colleagues promised the public that this ordinance would prevent service cuts, even if just for six months. You must amend this ordinance to ensure that our buses receive adequate funding.

Working people should not pay the price for the City and KCATA's sloppy negotiations. This is unfair, unjust, and unethical. Do your jobs and fund our buses.

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