

This is to serve as my statement FOR the ferry proposal to provide passenger-only ferry service between Kingston and Seattle. I am a single mom who lives in Kingston and works in downtown Seattle as a legal secretary. I am one of many who work in Seattle because I cannot make that kind of money as a secretary in Kitsap County.

I voted for the Kitsap Transit/WSF proposal which did not pass due to voters who did not want to pay out extra taxes for this ferry service which was considered "costly" for those who did not need it. I was not happy to hear about ferry union workers trying to block this private enterprise because it would "take away" their jobs. We (private enterprise and people who need the foot ferry) should not be delayed any longer for a service that is greatly needed and WSF does NOT provide.

A drastic reduction in commute time (currently two hours each way) would be invaluable to me as this is a critical time in my daughter's growth and give us more time together, and give me a bit more energy to actually DO things when I get home at night.

The ferry workers are not part of the private enterprise and cannot provide us with the service needed. They should have no say in something that is so beneficial to something SO important - our family time!

Thank you.

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