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Dear Representative Knollenberg,

In traveling to Washington DC, New York and Chicago I am often amazed that their mass transit (Subway) systems. It seems like Detroit got sold short somehow.

Why can't Detroit have a simular system? We have a bus system SMART and it kinda sorta connects with DDOT - but why doesn't Detroit Metro have a true subway system? It would seem that a mass transit system would go a long way to help with soaring gas prices.

Someone once told me that President Reagan killed the funding for Detroit's subway system after the Mayor and suburb leaders could not agree on the design. Is this true? Could this funding be restored if this is true? It would seem at a minimum that a subway between down town to Pontiac and to Detroit Metro would be desirable.

Where do you stand on this issue? It appears that American's are serious about mass transit, I see record ridership in the mass transit systems across the USA.

Sincerely,

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