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Senator Steve Santarsiero

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sent via email

Dear Senators Santarsiero, Farry, Coleman,

Today I'm writing to you, our Bucks County Senate Delegation, not just as Chair of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners and SEPTA Board member, but as an advocate for the thousands of working families in Bucks County who depend on SEPTA every single day to get to work, school, sporting events, medical appointments, and more. In fact, earlier today I spoke at a Lower Bucks Chamber of Commerce event where this very topic was a key point of concern among our business leaders.

Obviously, no one wants to raise fares or make painful cuts to service, but the decision we face now is a direct result of delayed action in the State Senate in Harrisburg. Nevertheless, SEPTA must have a budget in place by July. Because of this, as a SEPTA board member, I intend to vote to keep our transit system afloat because working people can't afford to be stranded while political leaders play games with their livelihoods.

The reality is simple: SEPTA is facing a financial cliff and without sustainable state funding, we're being forced to make impossible choices. The Pennsylvania Senate must act to keep SEPTA funded. I am asking that you vote for all of the employees, employers, students, seniors and other residents who rely on public transportation every day.

Public transit is not a luxury. It is a lifeline. If state leaders refuse to fund it, despite decades of legislative precedent, the burden will fall unfairly on riders and local governments, like Bucks County. Failing to fund SEPTA is an abdication of responsibility and sends a clear message to your constituents that you don't believe public transportation should exist.



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I implore each of you to do the right thing for Bucks County, for the region and for the Commonwealth. Please do your part as our representatives in Harrisburg to see that this critical service is fully and sustainably funded.

Bucks County residents and businesses who you represent deserve no less.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Harvie". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Harvie".

Robert Harvie
Bucks County Board of Commissioners Chair
SEPTA Board Member

