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Governor Jay Inslee
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Dear Governor Inslee,

As you may now be aware, a lower court in King County has put Initiative 976 on hold, defying the will of the voters. This scenario is playing out similarly to the first time that voters voiced their displeasure with this regressive tax, almost two decades ago. I'm hopeful that you will follow in the footsteps of one of your predecessors, and stand up for taxpayers.

In 2000, then Governor Gary Locke immediately called for a special session, "demanding that the Legislature act to remove any doubt in voters' minds that the cheap, flat-tax car tabs are here to stay," as an [article written by a Mr. David Postman](#) said in that same year.

I am calling on you to do the same and bring us back to Olympia to maintain the intent and will of the voters. I understand that the holidays are upon us and it is a busy time for everyone, but ensuring taxpayers can keep more of their money during this season is the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

Senator Phil Fortunato
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