February 21, 2023

## RE: Council Files 09-0651 and 19-0988

Dear Councilmembers:

We write to you to inform that the Arleta Neighborhood Council supports the closure of the tunnel at Tonopah Street and Interstate 5 and State Route 170 freeways in the community of Arleta.

Residents have complained about the nuisance at the pedestrian tunnel for decades. From narcotic use/exchange, prostitution, homeless encampments, illegal dumping, to other criminal activities taking place there the neighborhoods on either side of Interstate 5 freeway have been impacted negatively whereupon both children and adults' safety is not guaranteed nor expected; this even precedes 2009's city council motion on the subject.

The Arleta Neighborhood Council supports council motions 09-0651 and 19-0988 to close this pedestrian tunnel.

Respectfully,

The Arleta Neighborhood Council