



Dear Capitol Advisory Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on the Colorado 150 Pedestrian Walkway project. I regret that I am unable to join you in person to share these remarks.

I am the Co-Executive Director of the Colorado Cross Disability Coalition. We're a statewide disability advocacy organization that is run by people with disabilities for people with disabilities. We represent nearly 7,000 Coloradans with an array of disabilities.

We are submitting these comments today to express our appreciation for the thought and care that has gone into ensuring accessibility is at the forefront of this project's design. From the grade of the bridge's design and the configuration of its access from the Capitol, including a regrading of the plaza, to the plans for tactile art, it's clear that accessibility for people with disabilities has been at the forefront of planning. Far too often, accessibility is merely a box to check, rather than a core design feature. It is clear from the planning documents that those involved in this project have considered accessibility for many members of our community, not just people who use mobility devices.

We commend the project's design team for their commitment to inclusive design and for recognizing the importance of accessibility from the outset. We look forward to the project's next steps.

Sincerely,
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