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COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 10 a.m., in room 2128, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. William A. Barrett (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Representatives Barrett, Moorhead, Stephens, Widnall, and Mrs. Dwyer.

Mr. BARRETT. The committee will come to order, please.

Our first witness this morning will be the Honorable J. D. Braman, mayor of Seattle, Wash.

Mr. Mayor, it is certainly nice to have you here this morning. We are looking forward to hearing your testimony. I see that you have an associate with you this morning, and I was wondering if you would be kind enough to introduce him for the record, in case one of the members may decide to ask him a question or two.

Mr. BRAMAN. Certainly, Mr. Chairman. With me is Mr. Ed Devine, who is my administrative assistant for public affairs.

Mr. BARRETT. Mr. Mayor, we certainly want to make you feel at home here this morning. It is the custom of this committee to make witnesses feel as comfortable as they possibly can feel, and we want you and your associate to have that feeling.

We have, too, here this morning, Mr. Mayor, one of our very capable and knowledgeable Members who comes from your great State, Congressman Brock Adams. I knew him before he came here. He has been a great U.S. district attorney and a splendid Member of Congress. He would like to have the opportunity to welcome you here this morning.

Brock, would you be kind enough to introduce your good mayor?

Mr. ADAMS. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I appreciate very much your courtesy in letting me sit with you this morning and the courtesy of the committee in having Mayor Braman appear before the committee to testify.

I might say, Mr. Chairman, that all of us in the Pacific Northwest, as elsewhere in the country are very interested in the committee's deliberations on this problem of urban mass transportation, in particular.

Mayor Braman is an expert in this field, has spent a great many years both traveling to cities such as Toronto to study their system and at the present time the Seattle system—Seattle is in the process of preparing a project and has already presented it to the Department