

## **Closing Statement**

In closing, I would like to recognize the hard work of the NTSB staff in this investigation. I also want to thank my colleagues for the good discussion. And I would especially like to thank Member Weener for serving as the board member on the scene of the accident that we discussed today.

The recommendations we've adopted and reiterated today, if acted on, will result in healthier, better rested drivers. They'll also ensure that new commercial carriers are safe to operate on our roads.

They'll ensure that safe practices are in place during traffic breaks, such as the traffic break that played a role in this crash.

And they'll result in bus designs with better egress, broader deployment of collision avoidance technology, and better use of driver monitoring technology for safety oversight by motor carriers.

This crash took an unacceptable toll in lives and injuries. These recommendations, if acted on, will constitute steps toward safer commercial transportation.

Thank you, and we stand adjourned.

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