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Hello Senator Burdick!

My name is Katherine Wilson, and I am a 6th generation Oregonian who has been a filmmaker here in Oregon for 40 years. My husband Philip Krysl is a filmmaker who has worked in the Portland area for over 20 years. He paid rent and bought food and gas in the Durham area.

I have devoted my life to bringing this industry into Oregon. We live in Leaburg, and have many friends in your district who are also filmmakers.

I am writing to you because without at least the current level of Oregon Film Incentives, in today's economic climate, and how films choose their locations, my friends (and my husband) will not have jobs, and therefore will not be able bring their paychecks into any community.

And this is not all, the ancillary benefits from the incentives will also not occur. One of these benefits is my proposed movie museum in the Cottage Grove Armory. I have the support of Meg Trendler of Travel Lane County, members of the Historical Society there, and the head of Economic Development, Kristin Sanger. 10 days ago at the Public Forum, I was part of a think-tank table with the Mayor and a City Councilman and supporters of the Museum who came up with proposals for the Armory that included the Movie Museum.

If my husband is out of work, (and he will be, if we have no incentives,) I will probably not be able to afford to donate my collection to the museum, nor put this together. Oregon's current crew will have to join many others who had to leave Oregon to find work. If we have even more incentives, many natives who have left Oregon already may be able to come back.

We beseech you to help the Incentives through legislature vote. And we so appreciate your hard work on behalf of your constituents!

Sincerely,

Katherine Wilson

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P.S. I would be happy to send you a copy of the recent KVAL TV segment on my collection and the museum proposal in Cottage Grove if you wish me to.