



Denny Doyle, Mayor

December 10, 2012

The Honorable Senator Peter Courtney
900 Court Street NE - S-201
Salem OR 97301

The Honorable Senator Ted Ferrioli
900 Court Street NE - S-323
Salem OR 97301

The Honorable Representative Arnie Roblan
900 Court Street NE – H-295
Salem OR 97301

The Honorable Representative Bruce Hanna
900 Court Street NE - H-269
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The Honorable Representative Mike McLane
900 Court Street NE – H-385
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The Honorable Representative Tina Kotek
900 Court Street NE – H-281
Salem OR 97301

RE: 2012 Special Session Jobs Bill

The Honorable Peter Courtney, Ted Ferrioli, Arnie Roblan, Bruce Hanna, Mike McLane, and Tina Kotek:

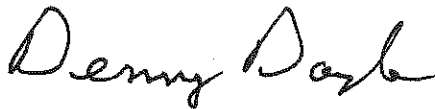
As the Mayor of Beaverton, it is with a tremendous amount of urgency and optimism that I write to you today. The Oregon Legislature has a unique opportunity to lock down a major expansion of Nike in Oregon. Nike is one of the largest job creators in the state of Oregon, and the nation will be watching to see what Oregon does to dramatically help expand a home-grown *world class* Fortune 500 company within the state.

Although the timing and process is unusual, I hope you will agree that the opportunity to significantly grow Nike in Oregon—without making any concessions—is a win-win for all of us. As you may know, Nike World Headquarters is not directly in Beaverton. However, Nike is currently the largest private sector employer (2,000+ employees listed on city business license) inside the Beaverton city limits through leased office space.

Over 1,000 Nike employees currently call Beaverton home. They invigorate our local economy, send their children to our Beaverton schools, and volunteer on numerous local Boards and non-profits. Nike has employees on the Beaverton School Board, Beaverton Education Foundation, Beaverton Chamber Board of Directors, and many other community and business organizations. The Nike School Innovation Fund provided about \$2,500,000 to the Beaverton School District in the last five years to support early learners and teacher and principal leadership teams.

Our partnership with Nike is deeply valued, not only for what it brings to Beaverton, but what it offers the State of Oregon.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Denny Doyle". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Denny Doyle
Mayor

Cc: Governor John Kitzhaber
Senator Mark Hass
Senator Elizabeth Steiner-Hayward
Rep. Chris Harker
Rep. Jeff Barker
Rep. Tobias Read
Rep. Val Hoyle