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## HB 2890: Remove the Ban on Inclusionary Zoning

Members of the House Human Services & Housing Committee  
900 Court Street, NE, Room 453  
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Chair Tomei, Vice-Chair Gomberg, Vice-Chair Olson, and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to you in support of HB 2890, which would repeal the preemption on inclusionary zoning and allow communities to determine whether or not to have an inclusionary zoning policy.

The Housing Alliance is a coalition of organizations serving all parts of Oregon. We are concerned about the availability of safe, decent and affordable housing for all Oregon residents, particularly residents who have limited incomes. We come together as a coalition because we know the importance of a stable home in affording Oregonians the ability to maximize their potential and build better futures for themselves and their loved ones.

The Housing Alliance supports HB 2890. Inclusionary zoning is a tool in the tool box for local communities to produce affordable housing units and should be available to Oregon. Inclusionary zoning policies can give families and individuals more choice about where they live, which schools their children attend, and how to commute to work. Inclusionary zoning has been shown to help people on fixed incomes remain close to family, friends, and services. By requiring developers to set aside a percentage of units for rental or sale to low and moderate income families, inclusionary zoning policies have the ability to harness the energy of the private market to help create affordable homes, while enabling economic integration and social inclusion.

Inclusionary zoning has been used by over 200 local jurisdictions across the country as an effective tool in the toolbox to expand the supply of affordable housing. One of inclusionary zoning's greatest strengths is its flexibility. Local governments in Oregon should be granted the flexibility to meet the housing needs of their residents.

Housing is the foundation of our communities. HB 2890 provides local governments with another tool to achieve housing affordability for residents and ensure more thriving communities in all of Oregon.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony, and for your work on behalf of Oregon communities.

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On Behalf of the Housing Alliance