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Dear Chairman Greenlick and Committee Members,

I am writing in opposition to amendments to HB 2093 that would restrict access to historically and genealogically important vital records. I believe that current confidentiality laws are sufficient. Section 33 of the proposal would amend ORS 432.121 to restrict access to vital records only "when 125 years have elapsed after the date of live birth, 75 years have elapsed after the date of death or fetal death or 100 years have elapsed after the date of marriage, domestic partnership, dissolution of marriage or dissolution of domestic partnership."

The proposed added time restrictions are unnecessary and I have heard no compelling arguments as to why further restrictions are needed.

I urge you to maintain current confidentiality rules. Thank you very much for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jean Edwards

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