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I am writing in support of HB 3492. I have been greatly impacted by harsh industrial pollution throughout my neighborhood. At times, industrial odors and grit come right in through my open windows. On some hot summer nights, I have to shut the windows to keep out the air pollution. We need HB 3492 badly. I hope you'll help keep it alive by moving it along. Don't let this bill die.

Air Pollution is a serious threat in Oregon. Approximately 3.2 million Oregonians have an average cancer risk twice what the EPA has determined is "acceptable." This problem is even worse in urban areas: Lane, Marion, Jackson, Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties where 2.2 million Oregonians' risk is four times the standard.

We need real action from our leaders today. HB 3492 takes a necessary step to protect those most vulnerable: those who live next to the largest stationary sources of toxic air pollution. I urge the House Energy and Environment Committee to move this bill forward.

Thank you.

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