

My testimony in support of SB 549 follows. Please distribute it to the members of the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue and enter it into the record.

Diamond Lake, and the adjoining resort properties, has faced tremendous financial pressure these past few years and we need to do everything within our power to ensure that it continues to exist. A memorial is defined as: "Something, esp. a structure, that reminds people of a person or event" and Diamond Lake is truly that. Although, I rarely use the facilities anymore, just the mention of the name brings back memories of opening days of fishing season spent on the bank with my father "drowning a worm" or sliding down the snow of the inner tube hill with my brothers & my children. By this measure Diamond Lake is a memorial, and one that continues to create memories for thousands of families from across the country, and thus needs to be treasured as the memorial it is.

I ask for your support of SB 549 to allow Diamond Lake to continue to bring cherished memories for generations to come, as it has done for me.

Sincerely,

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