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Chair Read, Vice-Chairs Gallegos and Whisnant and members of the House Committee On Higher Education, Innovation, and Workforce Development:

My name is Michelle Scott and I work for Klamath & Lake Community Action Services. Our mission is to improve the lives of our citizens by combating the conditions and causes of poverty in Klamath and Lake Counties. We provide strategic services directly and through social alliances, empowering people to become self-reliant contributing members of our community.

Please support the renewal and expansion of the Oregon Individual Development (IDA) Initiative by passing HB 2011 out of committee.

The Oregon Individual Development Account Initiative has brought more opportunity for me and my community.

Here's how:



Amber Nelson is a recent IDA graduate with the goal of education. She was selected to complete her residency as a Trauma neuropsychologist in the Pediatrics unit at Boston Children's Hospital. Amber made the following statement regarding the IDA Initiative:

"I have learned so much about savings, money management and budgeting throughout this experience! By getting in a habit to save toward something that is meaningful to me and seeing the results is definitely encouraging and helped me learn the value of finances!"

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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