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VIA EMAIL

Business and Labor Committee
Re House Bill 3186

Dear Chair Rep. Holvey and Business and Labor Committee Members:

I am writing to share my support of HB 3186. My legal practice involves helping clients obtain local approvals to hold outdoor mass gatherings. HB 3186 provides a much needed update and clarification to an old statutory framework regulating outdoor mass gatherings.

The proposal accomplishes two things:

- The revision to ORS 433.745(1) is a simple update that allows mass gathering event organizers the ability to maintain websites and social media presence year-round. It also alleviates that concern that organizers could be in violation of a statutory prohibition if the event was mentioned on a third-party website or social media source.
- The revision to ORS 433.745(2) is a clarification for a potential language ambiguity, making clear that permanent development on sites for outdoor mass gatherings is regulated by state and local land laws, not the outdoor mass gathering statutes.

HB 3186 in no way undermines a local jurisdiction's authority to regulate outdoor mass gatherings and it does not change the permitting process for an outdoor mass gathering permit. It provides a solid update to the outdoor mass gathering regulatory framework, keeping up with today's technology and land use regulations.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to appearing before you tomorrow.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elaine R. Albrich".

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