



*The Calapooia Food Alliance facilitates and promotes local, healthy, & sustainable food production and consumption.*

**Letter in support of SB320 Baking Bill**

*To Whom It May Concern,*

*I am writing on behalf of the Calapooia Food Alliance in Brownsville Oregon. We are a small rural nonprofit that supports our mission through our Brownsville Community Garden, Farmers Market, school education projects, weekly column in the local paper and our Munch Nights film & dinner series for community education around food issues.*

*We unanimously support this legislative proposal. We, a few years ago, investigated what it would take to create a certified kitchen in Brownsville for our many cooks & bakers to use so they could sell their wares at our and other markets. It was prohibitive. It was so sad to see so many of these people with great ideas, wonderful products and initiative kept from the small business market by such a draconian rule.*

*Economic opportunities are a challenge in our rural communities we sincerely believe this bill would open up a true economic boon for many of these communities. Something like what the food cart businesses have done in the urban areas, on a smaller scale of course, but just as important.*

*We hope you will support this very reasonable and important proposal. Thank you for your consideration of this issue.*

*Sincerely,*

*Kathleen Swayze  
Calapooia Food Alliance, Board President*