

May 6, 2015

Capital Construction Sub-Committee of Ways and Means
Oregon Housing and Community Services Bond Package
Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Read, Members of the Committee:

I am writing to express support for the proposal to build Oregon's future by supporting a historic investment of \$100 million for affordable homes for families with low incomes. I live in Clackamas County where the income needed to rent a 1 bedroom apartment is \$30,960 and the cost to purchase a home is \$320,000. This is out of reach for too many residents. As a result many are homeless or living in overcrowded conditions. With the money from this investment we can build some affordable homes and also help those who need help to stay in their apartment or rental home. Please vote in favor of this investment for the future of Oregon.

Sincerely,

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