

June 2, 2015

Representative Phil Barnhart  
Representative Paul Holvey  
Representative Peter Buckley

Dear Representatives,

The Ashland City Council and I are submitting this letter of support for the passage of House Bill 3470.

We concur with both the timing and the need to establish greenhouse gas emission limits in Oregon. Developing firm emission limits and creating financial systems to ensure compliance in order to achieve those target emission reductions is an important step for Oregon's future.

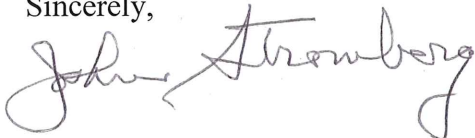
Information regarding this bill was first brought to our attention by citizen and local groups advocating before the City's Conservation Commission. The support of that Commission reflects the wide spread support and interest in the community of Ashland of this issue.

We believe that joining with Washington, California, and the Province of British Columbia in passing legislation can have positive national and international impacts. We recognize the importance of this issue and of implementing legislation to take meaningful action towards the common goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

We recognized that HB 3470 remains in legislative committee and would request that this letter of support be entered into the record.

We appreciate the efforts that you, as chief sponsors of this bill, have made to move this legislation forward. We wish you continued success and thank you for your time and energy on this topic of vital importance.

Sincerely,



John Stromberg, Mayor

C: Senator Alan Bates, District 3  
Ashland City Council  
Ashland Conservation Commission

