

Chair Williamson, members of the committee, thank you for your time today.

My name is Phil Guidotti. I am a Registered Nurse at RRMC, the larger hospital in Medford. I also manage a farming project on a ranch in Sam's Valley, where I'm raising my two young sons with my wonderful wife Katie. She is a naturopathic physician and a midwife, for both humans and farm animals. Our work puts us in touch with all kinds of people in our region: the retired businessman getting a hip replacement, the downtrodden homeless woman struggling with drug addiction. The wealthy couple buying local farm goods, the latino migrant farm worker with the aching back and fast smile. I work with all of them. And there seems to be one common thread that connects all of us rural Oregonians- a concern for the corruption in our federal government, and a consensus that the money in our elections is out of control. From all corners of Southern Oregon, they form a chorus, calling on their state legislators to act in lieu of a failing Congress. Even though we live in a divisive world where it seems nothing can bring us together, one issue rises above all others. We all agree that the influence of all moneyed interests must be curtailed if we are to have a government that can once again respond to the will of the people. So please answer the call coming from every group of Oregonians. Please vote yes on HJM 201.