Chair Alissa Kent-Guyer and members of the Human Services and Housing Committee.

I am a <u>volunteer</u> board member with Willamette West Habitat for Humanity, a mother of 3 young children and professional living in Washington County. My husband and I have been volunteers and supporters of Habitat for the past 13 years.

I am writing to ask for your support of families in our community who are facing homelessness due to the lack of safe affordable housing in Oregon. Families continually are getting shut out of home ownership, inability to build wealth and stability for their children. With access to affordable house, through programs like Habitat for Humanity, families thrive, children succeed in school, elderly people can age safely in their own community. Our neighborhoods become safe and the community prospers.

I urge you to please support:

- HB 2961
- HB 3192
- HB 3175

Sincerely, Kirsten Goetz