Dear Chair Clem and Members:

I am in favor of HB 2937.

I support this reasonable bill to reduce the housing crisis in Oregon. A public need has developed in my rural community for more rentals with reasonable prices. I, personally, have tried to assist a new employee in the health field to find housing. There have been very few affordable rentals available within an hour of travel time to work. If we can provide housing opportunities in accessory dwellings on land zoned rural residential we will do a great service to our community. And, because our area has a high percentage of older residents, the passage of this bill would allow them to stay in their homes and have an accessory dwelling for property caregivers. Right now a resident needs to be pretty disabled to have help in another housing unit on their properties.

Please vote yes on HB 2937.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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