

House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources,

Thank you all for your public service. I am a Beaverton resident writing in my personal capacity as a law graduate specializing in animal and environmental issues. I strongly support HB 3228 and protecting all kinds of wildlife, regardless of their "usefulness" to us, including wildlife that is not hunted, fished or trapped. I am confident that the vast majority of Oregonians share the belief that wildlife is inherently valuable and deserving of protection. As you know, all ecosystems are interconnected meaning that all species, great and small, need protection in order for the system, and for the individual animals to thrive.

Thank you for reading,

Sincerely,

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