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To: SHS Exhibits
Subject: HB 2004 - Support this URGENT law

Dear Oregon Senators,

HB 2004 will be an important step towards legislative health in our state, protecting the most vulnerable people in our population from rent spikes far ahead of wage increases. Everyone in our state deserves a place to live that is affordable and safe.

By removing the ban on local rent control ordinances, HB 2004 will allow cities to experiment and find the best way to protect their own citizens. In much the same way that state laws are used to develop innovative strategies on a nationwide level, municipal legislation can lead the way towards a more just and equitable housing structure for all.

Providing economic penalties for landlords who give no-cause evictions will encourage use of the actual process they should be using - the just-cause eviction process. No-cause evictions were designed for emergency situations, not as they are being used today, to streamline evictions for landlords eager to hike up the rent.

Thanks for your attention. Please vote for HB 2004, it's urgent. People are becoming homeless because of the no-cause eviction epidemic in this state.

Sincerely,
Mason

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"When we are bothered by someone, something, or ourselves, that is the knock of freedom. If we shut out the uninvited guest, then that is going back to sleep. If we really want freedom, what is shut out will return and knock on the door. Knock, knock, it's me again. I work to end oppression everywhere within and without."

-Rev. Zenju Earthlyn Manuel