

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE OF LINCOLN COUNTY**  
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To: Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction  
From: Economic Development Alliance of Lincoln County  
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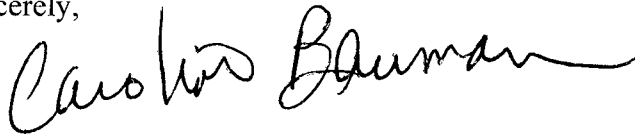
Support for capital construction bill number, SB 5505

I am writing to support the construction budget for a career and technical building for Oregon Coast Community College in Lincoln County. Our organization has been tracking this important project since we first heard about it about a year ago. I spend quite a bit of time keeping in touch with the business community, and I know this facility and the programs it will house will make a big difference in building skills for the young population that is not college-bound in a traditional sense.

As President Ryslingle serves on our Board, we are aware of her competence to carry out a methodical and careful planning process that will ensure we are serving the county's needs. As the smallest community college in the system, any dollars we can leverage for a capital construction will be that much more high-impact and lead to parity across the state.

Thank you for your consideration of their construction project, which will raise the educational achievement in our population.

Sincerely,



Caroline Bauman  
Executive Director