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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to express my strong support for HB2007. This forward-thinking legislation will help Oregon to add close-in homes that support affordability, equity, and climate goals.

I especially want to voice my support for provisions that correct loopholes in our state's laws (which currently allow private groups of landowners to bypass City Hall, and ask the National Park Service to declare their entire neighborhood a historic site). We cannot let some neighborhoods insulate themselves from diverse and affordable housing types by misusing the National Historic District designation to prevent infill and redevelopment.

I support ADUs, duplexes, and higher-density multi-family housing. This bill is a great first step in ensuring that our cities don't get in the way of adding homes to our state.

Thank you for your support of HB2007.

Best Regards,

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