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I stand with Lisa Eddleman and any of my neighbors. We are not in support of HB 2007. We would like you to know that, and we want you to represent our interests as such.

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Dear Representative Keny-Guyer,

I have spoken with several people who were able to attend Sunday night's meeting, and I am deeply troubled and disappointed by what I have heard. I thought the fact that you reached out to constituents who had written to you about HB 2007 meant that you truly did want input from the community you represent and serve. It now appears to me that your statement that you were open to input was disingenuous. It appears instead that you have made up your mind to put the interests of deep-pocketed developers (Oregon Home Builders Association and 1000 Friends of Oregon) in front of the interests of those you are meant to serve. This, to me, is deeply un-democratic.

Currently, over 1300 residents of my neighborhood are in support of designating Laurelhurst an Historic District. As written, HB 2007 explicitly takes that right away from neighborhoods. This too strikes me as un-democratic.

This bill is being promoted under the guise of expanding affordable housing, but the fact is, it will do no such thing. There is ample evidence for the fact that it will not provide any meaningful solutions to the housing crisis in Portland—just look to Seattle, where similar measures have been enacted. Meaningful solutions to the housing shortage will require significant public investment—our legislators can't simply throw up their collective hands and say "let the private sector take care of it." As I am sure you are aware, the private sector's primary motivation is to maximize profit, not provide solutions for our city's social problems.

I hope that upon reflection you will truly take into account the interests of those whom you represent, and make significant adjustments to this bill. I know that I, along with the 1300+ (and growing) residents of my neighborhood who favor historic designation, will be watching. I am sure other residents of your district who live in neighborhoods on the east side of Portland will be watching too. And we will be voting. That IS democratic.

Regards,

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