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I am a 43 year resident of Eastmoreland who is opposed to the national historic district which is an undemocratic work-around to prevent change and new housing in our neighborhood. We live in a larger city whose residents (and statewide residents) have invested in a light rail station in our neighborhood, in our sidewalks, schools, the local parks, etc... We should welcome the opportunity for more folks to live in our neighborhood.

For these reasons I support **HB2007**. There are close to 1000 of us in Eastmoreland that have been working to defeat all that is so wrong about this historic district process and will continue to be wrong, long [after July 3](#) when it is permanent and affecting Laurelhurst and other areas of our city. Most I would wager are in support of this house bill with the historic district fix.

While all of us understand that communication and debate is relevant to the process at the local level through a democratic process, but so is removing this privately driven work around the city, so we can have that bigger picture debate.

You, the legislature are the only ones who have the power to have this debate with our elected officials, city wide taking all into account even historic preservation **which this is nothing about.**

Some things are just wrong and need to be fixed..Not postponed...this federal process is one of them. The federal process is out of control and controlling our ability to be heard and access a democratic process. We have a local/state option now that the city and state can determine what is best for Oregon...not The National Park Service.

Homeowners in Eastmoreland have been shut down from discussion and involvement by the neighborhood association. Fellow representatives, senators, past mayor have not become involved. Please give us an opportunity to be heard. Keep an open mind...and relay that 1000 homeowners in Eastmoreland are expressing their support of HB 2007.

Sent from my iPad

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