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RE: HB 2038    Written Testimony to the House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

Chair Clem, Vice-chair McLain, Vice-chair Sprenger, Representative Barreto, Representative Esquivel, Representative McKeown, Representative Power, Representative Brock Smith, Representative Witt:

Since 2013, GloryBee has supported School Garden Project of Lane County in their efforts to bring school garden-based science education to elementary students for more than 15 years. Through the classroom assistance volunteerism program, our employees have witnessed first-hand the impact that this program has on children and their relationship with healthy food grown before their very eyes. One of our GloryBee volunteers actually overheard a student exclaiming, "I loooooove kale!" We have seen the pride kids take in working together to plant, care for, and harvest their very own produce.

We are proud to financially support School Garden Project to the best of our ability; however, we know that greater support is needed in order to continue vital programs like this one. State funding is crucial to the success and continuation of this program.

We join the School Garden Project in respectfully asking that the Committee vote to support HB 2038 to continue these vital programs, for the future of our children, their health and the wide-ranging effects of helping children develop a relationship with healthy food.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our request.

Sincerely,  
RaeJean Wilson, Senior Executive Vice President  
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