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February 21, 2017

To: House Committee on Rules
Representative Jennifer Williamson, Chair

Re: House Joint Resolution 6 — Proposing amendment to Oregon Constitution relating to the legislative districts of Senators - **Oppose**

This House Joint Resolution proposes alteration of our Oregon Constitution with regards to voting apportionment. Our position on this is specific and clear:

The Oregon Constitution should provide for a legislative assembly that is apportioned on a population basis, under a system that provides flexibility, adequate safeguards and enforcement procedures ensuring reapportionment after every federal census.

This resolution would apply a dramatic voting representation imbalance to our Legislature. We strongly urge a NO vote.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

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Norman Turrill
LWVOR President

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Rebecca Gladstone
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