

House Committee on Human Services and Housing  
Oregon State Legislature  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

**Attn: Chair Kenny Guyer; Vice-Chair Olson; Vice-Chair Sanchez; and Members of the Committee**

**RE: HB 4007**

I am a homeowner and independent business owner in downtown Corvallis. I see more homeless people on our streets and in our parks every day as I walk to other businesses and homes in the area. I have watched this problem become ever more pressing in the 5 years since I moved to Corvallis. I do not want to live in a city, state or nation where it is acceptable for people to not have the resources to get off the streets. We need to feel good about ourselves, our community and the great state of Oregon by stopping to lift up every individual before we consider ourselves successful. I believe affordable and safe housing is one of the critical foundation blocks for helping us all live safe, fulfilling lives.

I strongly support **HB 4007**, and hope you will too, as a way to fund valuable affordable housing services offered by such organizations as Willamette Neighborhood Housing. Their work, and that of many others in Corvallis, has been exemplary and they are staffed by intelligent, caring, dedicated professionals.

Thank you for considering this request for passage of **HB 4007** at full funding. Every Oregonian needs a safe place to call home and I want to assist in making this happen.

Respectfully,

John

John Morris, NCIDQ, LEED AP BD+C  
Principal

Spiral Design ELEMENTS  
460 SW Jefferson Avenue  
Corvallis, Oregon 97333

p. 541.752.9130  
f. 541.752.9150  
c. 704.208.6037

[www.spiraldesignelements.com](http://www.spiraldesignelements.com)