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Hello,

Thank you for making the opportunity for public comment.

Oregonians, particularly low wage workers, need swift decisive action on rental relief right now: a freeze on rents and mortgages, and/or rental/mortgage payment assistance, that is easy to use and access.

Eviction moratoria are a good start, but for many people those wages will never get recovered. Allow people not to pay rent during this state-declared emergency that is preventing many people from working, particularly those in low wage service type jobs who likely don't have savings to fall back on.

I personally own a home and have housemates that rely on the stability and security they have here. My housemates are all service workers who have lost their ability to earn due to this emergency.

I'm an LMT and have been unable to work for the past week and a half, due to a minor sickness. I've no idea when I'll be able to start work again. It won't be long before the mortgage and utilities come due and our ability to pay them will be impossible.

Sincerely,

Christy Mikle