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To whom it may concern:

I am the Director of Property Management at SauCo Properties, a family owned Property Management company based in Hillsboro, OR. We specialize in single family homes throughout the Portland-Metro area. It has come to our attention that the extension of the moratorium is soon being voted on. While I am completely in support of finding ways to help those who have been negatively impacted by COVID-19, this avenue simply provides a way for those looking to exploit the crisis.

Unfortunately, we have seen numerous instances of tenants trying to take advantage of the crisis which leaves our home owners (some who have also lost jobs and can hardly cover the existing home expenses that the rent barely covers) in financially straining situations. We've had owners sadly approach us letting us know that they need to put the properties up for sale since they can no longer afford it as there is no assistance to help lessen their burden. Which unfortunately isn't surprising, as it seems to be the theme to put it all back on the landlord. But they are people too who are also impacted by this.

If anything, please consider assistance for landlords to lessen the burden instead of putting it all back on them. Whether that be assistance with the mortgage, utilities, repairs, association fees etc. Also, it should be a responsibility of the tenant to provide proof that they have been financially impacted by COVID-19 and are unable to cover the entirety of their rent.

Honestly, I love working in the property management industry. It is of utmost importance to me to provide fair and quality housing for all while providing caring and compassionate service, but providing housing goes beyond just the tenants, we need to consider the individual property owners who are struggling too. They are people that are undergoing a large amount of financial and emotional strain due to the impact of this moratorium. As an Oregonian born and raised, I've been lucky enough to call this beautiful state my home for the last 25 years. And as an Oregonian, I know that we put great effort into taking care of everyone in our community. I would like to see that same amount of effort put into everyone that provides rental homes and occupies rental homes in this amazing state.

Thank you for your time. Stay well.

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