

Chair Keny-Guyer and Committee members,

I am Jacob Brostoff, the land use chair of Portland's Mt. Scott-Arleta Neighborhood Association (MSANA), and I am writing on behalf of the MSANA board. Our neighborhood is located in the heart of Southeast Portland, and in Chair Keny-Guyer's district. We have attached a map of our neighborhood to this letter for your reference.

Mt. Scott-Arleta has seen many changes in recent years, including significant increases in housing prices and rents, as well as a lot of new development, much of which has been single-dwelling, detached houses. We believe that many more people could be housed by the creation of smaller, more flexible housing, including duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes and cottage clusters.

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Being able to find suitable and affordable housing impacts so much more than housing status and household nudgets. It can also affect our local, regional and statewide transportation systems, as displaced populations have to travel farther to get to work, childcare and school.

MSANA supports the passage of HB 2001. We want all of our neighbors, in our neighborhood and throughout Oregon, to be housed, affordably, and in dwellings that are suitable for them. Although HB 2001 will not single-handedly solve Oregon's housing affordability crisis, we believe that it will contribute to a significant increase in housing supply, which is one strategy to address this crisis.

We also support increased State funding for affordable housing as a way to house more of our neighbors.

We urge passage of HB 2001.

Thank you for considering our testimony.

Sincerely. Jacob Brostoff Land Use Chair Mt. Scott-Arleta Neighborhood Association Portland, Oregon

MSANA boundary map