Committee Members:

I urge you to support HB 2001. It adds a common sense option to increase affordable housing in the community without relying solely on multifamily apartment complexes that are often controversial to site.

I worked for the Housing Authority of Yamhill County helping to develop affordable housing for 19 years before retiring in 2012. I am certainly not opposed to building more apartments, which are often the most economical way to get needed housing into the community. However, apartments are not the only type of housing needed in McMinnville right now, so the the "middle housing" option offered in this bill would help the city deal with its current affordable housing crisis that is impacting not only the traditional low-income market below 80% of median income but also those between 80 and 120% of median income.

Thank you for considering my opinion on this matter.

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