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Subject: Help Oregon Pass Historic Tenant Protections - Support SB 608
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Dear Chair Keny-Guyer, Vice Chairs Noble and Sanchez, and Members of the Committee,

Dear Chair Keny-Guyer, Vice Chairs Noble and Sanchez, and Members of the Committee:

I was the "toddler mom" who broke down crying. I have come to the capital over and over sharing the same stories but different clients. There is nothing new I can add. It has been difficult for me to come back to this issue - last night brought me hope and I could not help but break down a bit. The path to this bill has been paid for in the lives of tenants and advocates. There were many ghosts in that room last night and I was really missing people we have lost because of housing insecurity.

The passing of this bill will not end homelessness and will not help end housing discrimination or end the commodification of the housing stability of people. BUT this is a start. This will help ensure that people we have a fighting chance to stay in our homes and provide families with some level of stability. This provides us a platform for continued housing reform that will one end homelessness.

Thank you and please support SB 608.

Sincerely,

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