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Dear Chair Helm, Vice Chair Reschke, Vice Chair Schouten and Members of the Committee:

My name is Kyla Yeoman and I believe everyone has the right to clean and healthy air.

My 3-year-old daughter has asthma and adding heavy pollutants to our air every day -- when we have the opportunity not to -- is wrong.

Have you ever driven behind an old diesel vehicle and had to hold your breath until the air cleared? Try breathing that air every day, all day. I am concerned that's what people living near our high traffic corridors are experiencing. And the neighborhoods near those corridors are disproportionately families with low-income and communities of color who are priced out of other neighborhoods. The impact on all of our health is devastating over time. We can't afford to let this continue.

I am shocked to find out that Multnomah County ranks highest in total and exposure concentrations across Oregon and the Tri-County region is in the 95th percentile nationally.

Please support HB 2007 and include the following strong amendments:

- We cannot wait until 2029. Match California's truck and bus rule deadline, which requires 2010 model year engines or equivalent by 2023.
- Close the loophole on zombie ("glider") trucks: we want to ensure all vehicles of the same model year are held to the same standard—even if old engines are put into new truck bodies.
- Incorporate a sticker registration program for all engines, requiring vehicle operators to visibly display both the year of cab manufacture and the year of engine manufacture on the side of each cab.
- Ensure the phase-in schedule prioritizes implementation in the areas of greatest concern (where the most sensitive populations live, where there is the greatest pollution, and where the most people are exposed).
- Ensure the compliance mechanisms do not result in fewer emission reductions in the areas of greatest concern.

Thank you!

Kyla Yeoman and daughter, June (3 yrs old)