Dear members of Joint Committee on Student Success:

I am the mother of two young boys who have just started their education in Oregon's public school system. Just a few years in and we've already seen the drastic cuts that schools have had to make each year in resources and teachers, and the impact it has on the school, classes, and our boys.

I strongly urge you to support the investment of at least \$2 billion in Oregon schools in HB 2019.

While Oregon's economy booms, our kids fail to get an adequate education. Each year, we've had to guess whether our boys and students in schools all over Oregon, will have less PE time, less library time, fewer teachers, fewer books, or all of those things. I can see the impact on how teachers have a harder time teaching, and how our boys struggle to learn because of classroom overcrowding, overworked teachers, and lack of resources.

Please support HB 2019, and make investments of at least \$2 billion or more if possible.

I worry about my own boys, but I know other families have it much worse and need the support more than we do. The chronic underfunding of Oregon schools has got to end, and it has that chance with your support of HB 2019.

Thank you, so much, for your support of our children. It means the world.

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"Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek."