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Senator Fred Girod, Co-Chair Representative Paul Holvey, Co-Chair Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction Oregon State Capitol 900 Court Street NE, Room H-178 Salem, Oregon 97301

April 17, 2019

Dear Senator Girod and Representative Holvey,

The Wasco County Board of Commissioners strongly supports the City of Mosier and Mosier Fires District's request for lottery funding supporting their joint project to construct a new combination fire station/city hall/community center.

The Mosier area community is a long-time provider of services to the north central region of Oregon and the Columbia Gorge. These essential services include fire protection, emergency medical response and emergency shelter along with various community support functions; all of which are valued by thousands of area residents and countless travelers making their way through the Columbia Gorge Corridor on 1-84. Mosier's ability to continue these services will be greatly enhanced through this project.

We encourage the Subcommittee to include funding through HB 5030 for this project which will benefit both area residents and Oregon tourists. Combined with existing funds, fund-raising efforts and other sources, State funding will ensure a successful project and long-term benefits from this new facility.

Sincerely, Wasco County Board of Commissioners

Steven D. Kramer, Chair

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