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Hi There!

I am emailing today, hopefully not to late for the hearing on HB 2001, to express my strong support for the bill. While it may not be a perfect fix for Oregon's housing crisis it represents something that has needed to happen for a long time. I have gotten priced out of my rental housing many times because of the preponderance of single family units on large lots in Portland rather than denser infill with multi family units. This is something we desperately need to make our cities more livable, walkable, bikeable and affordable!

- Oregon's current zoning laws are harming the state every day. Re-legalizing duplexes, triplexes and fourplexes will shift market-rate construction in low-density areas away from luxury McMansions and toward middle housing that's affordable to the middle class from day one.
- Legalizing missing-middle makes every dollar of funding for below-market housing go further. That's why it's backed by nonprofit developers like Habitat for Humanity, PCRI and Hacienda CDC.
- Legalizing middle housing makes it far easier for Oregonians to voluntarily cut their carbon emissions. It's a perfect complement to statewide carbon pricing.

Thanks for listening!

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