



Statement in SUPPORT of HB 4079

To: House Committee on Revenue
From: Sunriver Owners Association
Date: February 3, 2020

Dear Chair Nathanson:

On behalf of the Sunriver Owners Association, I would like to offer our support of HB 4079 (establishing a Broadband Fund administered by the Public Utility Commission) and urge the Revenue Committee to vote in favor of the legislation.

Sunriver is a small community that is rurally situated about 15 miles south of Bend. Although Sunriver does currently have internet access, keeping pace with ever-advancing technology will be vital in ensuring that our community remains effectively connected -- for commerce, for communication, and for public safety, among other uses.

Advancing this goal is a major initiative for our community. At present, our board has appointed a workgroup that includes a broadband consultant. This workgroup is examining the current broadband infrastructure in Sunriver and will provide the board with a report for improving services.

HB 4079 would create a welcome resource for our rural community to hopefully draw upon as we pursue these goals.

For our residents, owners, and for the continued connectivity of our community, please vote YES on HB 4079.

Thank you.

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