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Co-Chairs Taylor, Salinas, and Boshart-Davis, Vice-Chair Knopp, members of the redistricting committees,

Good evening. For the record my name is Twila Jacobsen, my pronouns are she, her, hers and I have lived in Oregon for 45 years and Lane County for 21 years. I now live in Congressional District 4.

I thank you for providing this opportunity and sincerely hope it assists you in making final decisions on redistricting. I applaud the citizens of Oregon and the Legislature for making this an open and public discussion, even as it takes more time and energy to take this approach, there is much to commend on your progress on this complex issue.

My husband, daughter and I lived for 11 years in the Dexter area. I regularly traveled Highway 58 to commute to work in downtown Eugene, to shop, for healthcare services and to attend events. This is the same for many households living in rural Lane County- from Cottage Grove to Creswell, and from Pleasant Hill, Dexter to Lowell. The House and Senate Plan C is an improvement on the current map because it acknowledges the commonalities of this area. At the same time, population hasn't grown that much there, and to meet population demands, it does make sense to include some of Eugene.

I think that the proposed Plan C will have the best outcomes for the University area of Eugene, keeping it in one district, and drawing the lines to encompass Springfield which better reflects community

cohesiveness. I like that. Plan B, on the other hand splits Springfield and the University District in Eugene.

I also want to lift up PLAN A for Congressional District 4 - as it respects Curry, Coos, and Lane County Lines and I think that is important. And Plan A also keeps all of Lane County together - where other Congressional plans do not. And that is important to me as well.

Once again, thanks so much for your service and your work on this important issue. Please keep in mind what I have shared about my community when finalizing maps. I'm happy to answer any questions.

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