To the Oregon Legislature Re: SJM0005

The Mazamas recognize that we are in the midst of a global climate emergency, and we are committed to working for solutions. Climate change is already impacting the Northwest's people, economy, and the wild places where we hike and climb.

As scientists have forecast and the Mazamas are witnessing, exposed glaciers on Cascade peaks are quickly receding and at risk of disappearing, and the frequency and severity of wildfires are increasing.

One of our commitments is that we will strive to address the root causes of climate change, such as carbon emissions, deforestation, and inappropriate management of public lands, through political advocacy and scientific research.

We therefore urge passage of SJ0005.

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