

Chair Marsh, Vice-chair Helm, Vice-chair Brock Smith and members of the house committee of Energy and Environment.

My name is Milka Mendez. I have lived in Forest Grove for more than 15 years. This city allows me to have a closer contact with nature and enjoy its benefits. The love, respect and care of natural resources have motivated me to dedicate much of my time to promote the care of the environment in my community and to create awareness in human beings to reduce, reuse and recycle to avoid the damage that we are causing our environment.

Today as an environmental promoter I am very grateful for the opportunity to share my testimony in which I show my firm support for the proposal HB 2021 (Clean Energy for All). I believe that this project will benefit the population as well as the planet earth as it promises to use more developed technology and methods to be able to use and take advantage of natural resources in a more intelligent way for the conservation of the environment.

Clean energy for all is also a project that, if approved, will be a hope for the BIPOC community that has unfortunately been greatly affected by the Covid 19 Pandemic and the Wildfires. Many families have lost their jobs and homes due to the pandemic situation, so HB 2021 will be a great opportunity as it will create jobs that will allow our community to recover from the economic impact caused by Covid 19.

Without any doubt, I reiterate my full support for this proposal thanking in advance that we can receive your approval so that we can all enjoy cleaner air where humans and the earth can live healthier lives.