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House Committee on Housing 900 Court Street NE, Room 347 Salem, Oregon 97301

Chair Fahey and Members of the Committee,

Good afternoon Chair Fahey, Vice Chairs Campos and Morgan, and members of the committee. My name is Hunter Baldridge and I live in NE Portland. HB 2372 is a bill which will further alleviate the current housing crisis the city is currently facing. With COVID-19 ravaging our communities and evictions looming the state must act now to address our housing issues before they become a statewide catastrophe. Already, my hometown of Portland, OR is dealing with mass homeless, gentrification, and unaffordable housing. By supporting HB 2372 the state will make an intelligent step forward in bring on real and viable support for those struggling to keep a roof over their heads. Therefore, I am asking that you would support HB 2372.

Thank you for your time, Hunter Baldridge