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On Behalf Of: Praying Mantis Farm LLC

Committee: House Committee On Business and Labor

Measure: HB4002

Chair Holvey and members of the committee. My name is Jim Bronec and I am a third generation farmer in Canby. I am writing to you in SUPPORT of HB4002. It is important that we in agriculture remain competitive and secure good skilled workers in our industry. Both Washington and California have overtime pay for farmworkers. We in Oregon are at a competitive disadvantage in obtaining good quality workers. Ask yourself this simple question, Would you or any member of your family work without being paid time and half for overtime? Would not receiving overtime be acceptable to you? I have been farming my whole life and it is not true that we farmers "can not afford to pay time and a half for overtime".

I am able to do it and have been able to do it for a long time. Make agriculture in Oregon truly uplifting for all involved from farmers to farmworkers. Please support the passage of HB4002. Thanks You

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