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On Behalf Of:

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The Willamette River offers the wildlife and humans that frequent it, abundant beauty, joy, and the ability to connect with our incredible State and all it has to offer. I have spent endless summers enjoying the Willamette with my family. Boating allows my family to spend quality time with nature and each other. I grew up boating, tubing, waterskiing and wakeboarding. As a young person there could not have been a more wholesome way to spend precious time with my family, away from screens and in touch with nature. Some of the best memories of my youth are on a boat with my folks. I hope to share this with my daughter, who is falling in love with the river. I fear that bills like SB 1589 put that sacred family time at risk, at a time when young people need it the most! I oppose SB 1589 because our families depend on the Willamette for recreation, connection, and peace.