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RE: Testimony in Favor of HB 4064A, Relating to Manufactured Structures

To Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Anderson, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to provide written comment on HB 4064A, Relating to Manufactured Structures. As a proponent for land use policies and planning choices that advance affordable, fair, and equitable housing outcomes, **Housing Land Advocates is offering its support of HB 4064A.**

We support HB 4064A because it expands lower-cost housing and homeownership options for Oregonians at a time when innovation is needed. High quality manufactured dwellings costs approximately half that of a traditional site-built dwelling on a square foot basis, excluding land. HB 4064A removes outdated standards for placing manufactured dwellings in neighborhoods and opens up the possibility of including them as cottages in cottage clusters. Thus, HB 4064A expands the array of entry-level homeownership options.

We also support HB 4064A because it provides greater flexibility to the state in addressing the urgent housing needs of former owners of manufactured dwellings who lost their homes in the 2021 forest fires. The bill clarifies that manufactured dwelling park owners and developers cannot impose siting charges on homeowners for items beyond those that can reasonably be removed by the homeowner should they choose to relocate their home in the future. Finally, it provides a technical fix to 2021 legislation allowing prefabricated housing to be placed in manufactured dwelling parks statewide.

Housing Land Advocates urges your support for HB 4064A. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Bragar". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being particularly prominent.

Jennifer Bragar  
President

cc: HLA Board (by e-mail)