

January 30, 2023 Joint Committee on Semiconductors

Re: Support for Industrial Lands Recommendations

Dear Senator Sollman, Representative Bynum and members of the Joint Committee,

The League of Oregon Cities (LOC) supports the <u>recommendations</u> made by the Industrial Lands Subcommittee of the Oregon Semiconductor Competitive Task Force and the overall recommendations from the Semiconductor Task Force.

We are strongly supportive of the recommendations for industrial site readiness, especially creating a fund as part of the State's Regional Industrial Site Readiness Program (RSIS). The report recognizes that local governments have limited tools and funding necessary to make zoned sites market ready. The LOC strongly supports extending the RSIS program and creating a funding mechanism to support it.

While the recommendations from the subcommittee identify the need for immediate development of key sites in North Plains and Hillsboro, the economic activity and workforce development benefits of a robust manufacturing industry are far reaching and statewide.

Sincerely,

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