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Chair Lieber, Vice Chair Knopp and members of the Committee.

My name is Jane Stackhouse, I live in a 1925 duplex in Portland Oregon. I was trained by Al Gore as a Climate Reality Project Leader and I volunteer with the Metro Climate Action Team (MCAT). Thank you for quickly scheduling this hearing on HB 3409. Time is running out for this session and climate solutions.

All aspects of this bill are important to help us reduce climate pollution and grow our economy. I would like to speak to one aspect this evening.

This bill includes the Resilient Efficient Buildings bills (formerly SB 868,869, 870 and 871) which is why I am testifying from my basement. I want you to see my heat pump hot water heater and the air handler that distributes heat from my heat pump throughout this three-story home. We are also well insulated and weatherized so we had no smoke inside during the 2020 forest fires and stayed cool during the heat dome.

Everyone deserves housing which is why we had bipartisan support for HB 2001. As we build new homes and buildings, we will build them to last. Therefore, we need be sure these homes and buildings are energy efficient and energy saving. With modern building methods and materials, we can even build to produce more energy than the building uses.

Other aspects of HB 3409 such as Natural Climate Solutions, Modernizing OGWC, EV incentives, Climate Protection Program Fees, and Renewable Energy Siting are equally important. I support HB 3409 and I hope you will too.