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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: SB799

I am opposed to SB 799. I believe this would reduce the amount of affordable housing in Oregon. What landlord would want to own rental property in a state that controls rental rates AND also allows tenants to stop paying rent for 60 days, with no penalty.

I have owned two small 2-bdrm condos in Tigard since 1996. When COVID first arrived, I voluntarily reduced my rents BELOW MARKET to help my tenants. If SB 799 passes, my tenants would not only enjoy low rents, but could also stop paying rent for 60 days. This would be untenable and I would probably sell the units. I believe other landlords would probably do the same thing. While I support efforts to help increase affordable housing I believe SB 799 may actually discourage individuals from ever becoming (or remaining) as a landlord in Oregon.

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