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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: SB799

I am writing with my strong support of SB 799 to address the fact that evictions in Oregon happen much too quickly. The human suffering on the streets of Portland is untenable and it will take everyone in Oregon - including landlords - doing their part to come together to solve this problem. The 72 hours allowed to make up back rent in current law is simply not enough time to locate, apply for and receive any rent assistance or to come up with another way to pay. With rents skyrocketing and low vacancy rates, we must do everything we can to make evictions rare and when they do happen, more fair.

Thank you for hearing this important piece of legislation and I urge you to pass it as quickly as possible, as well as its companion bill to limit rent increases, SB 611