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February 2, 2023

Chair Representative Nosse
Vice-Chair Representative Goodwin
Vice-Chair Representative Nelson
Members of the House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care
Oregon State Capitol
900 Court Street NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

Dear Chair Nosse, Vice-Chair Goodwin, and Vice-Chair Nelson:

I'm writing on behalf of the Salem City Council in enthusiastic support of HB 2757, which would form a dedicated source of funding to protect Oregon's crisis system and ensure this critical resource is available to those most in need in our community. Expanding coordinated crisis services, including 9-8-8 suicide prevention and behavioral health crisis hotline, means more people will be able to access the help they need.

We need more crisis care resources, including the 9-8-8 suicide prevention and behavioral health crisis hotline. We stand firmly in support of increased resources for persons with behavioral health issues and those who assist them, particularly in crisis situations.

Ensuring this funding stream is critical to providing ongoing support for those who need it most. The City of Salem appreciates your support for House Bill 2757.

Sincerely,

Mayor Chris Hoy
City of Salem

cc: Salem Legislative Delegation

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