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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: SB530

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CHAIR MARCH AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

I Bill Harris of NW Portland support passage of this bill.

I think humans are absolutely marvelous and I so very much want us to survive, survive, ,,,,,,,to survive.

Survival of life on this planet requires actions to stop the increase in human caused green house gas. After that we need to arrange to sequester the naturally occurring carbon dioxide to keep earth temperature low enough for our survival.

Sequestration of carbon is an essential element in control of global warming.

Besides needing to find ways to live that do not release large amount of green house gases we need to work to sequester carbon in growing plants and in soil. This sequestration must continue well beyond the time when we have stopped releasing green house gas from human activity.

Forests, grazing range, cropland and wetlands store immense amounts of carbon. The amount of sequestration varies with the soil and the situation but it can be promoted in all types.

Land management for maximum carbon sequestration also promotes soil water, stream flow, water table and reduced water and wind erosion.

SB530 will facilitate the development of processes that assist land managers in managing for these benefits. There will be a studied educational process toward land managers with clarification of the inducements in the program. The program will develop needed measurements and data to observe the effectiveness of the program.

Forests, grassland, cropland and wet land support plants and animals containing carbon and are capable of storing immense amounts of carbon.

Please pass SB530.

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