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Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

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Hello, my name is Georgann Pierce and I support advocating for HB2927 to establish a system of support for individuals impacted by Sickle Cell Disease. I believe that this bill will create some remarkable changes in supporting individuals impacted by Sickle Cell Disease. So many times, individuals with Sickle Cell Disease face their health struggles, alone feeling like the medical research have not invested money or time to find a cure. The Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation of Oregon has done some great work in bringing awareness and education to community partners. My walking team Soleful Strutters partner with The Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation every Sept to help host the Annual "Walk A Mile for Sickle Cell". Walk A Mile for Sickle Cell has always been a great time for community and individuals impacted by Sickle Cell Disease the opportunity to collaborate, raise money and awareness. I appreciate all the hard work, time and dedication Pastor Taylor has invested and demonstrated in keeping Sickle Cell Disease awareness alive. As this organization whose mission is to better the lives of individuals impacted by Sickle Cell Disease across Oregon by passing of this bill would greatly benefit their lives and providing more resources to help treat and cure Sickle Cell Disease. I deeply support the efforts of HB2927 it is long overdue!