Submitter: Swapna Reddy

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure: HB3294

Dear House Committee on Judiciary,

I am a resident of Lake Oswego and I am in support of HB 3294. I appreciate Rep. Nguyen's efforts in bringing this forth.

Archiving documents containing illegal discriminatory language from deeds and the chain of title is a necessary step forward to removing the exclusionary practices of home ownership. Historically, this language prevented earnest, hardworking people of color from gaining homes, particularly our community members of Black descent. Without home ownership, the ability to create generational wealth was blocked. One of the clear benefits of home ownership is to strengthen the family structure and to aid in the future success of descendants.

Dismantling racist language in documents is an important way to further dismantle systemic racism.

Sincerely, Swapna Reddy