Submitter:	Cheryl Gallagher
On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	Senate Committee On Natural Resources
Measure:	SB85

Dear Chair Golden, and Members of the Senate Natural Resources Committee,

My name is Cheryl Gallagher, and I live in Oakridge, Oregon.

I am writing to you today in support of a factory farm moratorium in Oregon. We must take action to halt the expansion of factory farming in our state until we have protections in place for the environment, animal welfare, family farms, and frontline communities.

Factory farms are very bad for our soil, air and water. Regenerative farming however, builds topsoil that is so essential to the health of farm animals, crops and the people who consume meat and produce. I encourage you to set up a program to help farmers and ranchers to transition to regenerative practices rather than allowing CAFOs to be operated in Oregon. This would be more profitable for the farmers and ranchers, and much better for the health of Oregonians.

I urge you to vote for SB 85 in the 2023 Legislative Session to protect our small and midsized socially and ecologically responsible family farms in Oregon.

Sincerely, Cheryl Gallagher