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My name is Betsy Zucker, and I am writing in strong support of HB 2002, to strengthen Oregon's commitment to reproductive health care and gender-affirming care.

As the Supreme Court strips protections for abortion care, and states continue to pass hateful legislation targeting members of the trans community, it is more important than ever that Oregon continue to be a leader in protecting and expanding access to full scope sexual, reproductive and gender-affirming health care.

This legislation is essential to protect the most vulnerable in our state. As a retired family nurse practitioner, I am well aware of the growing barriers to abortion elsewhere in the country, and want to make sure that our state remains safe for all Oregonians.

Gender-affirming care is absolutely essential health care, and needs to be codified as such to protect and support all trans men and women in Oregon.

Thank you for your consideration.

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