

Date: March 22, 2023

To: House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment

Re: Support for HB 2990 Community Resilience Hubs

Dear Chair Marsh, Co-Chairs, and Members of the House Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment,

My name is Lidia and I live in Beaverton, Oregon. Changes to our climate make it clear that it's time we formed Community Resilience Hubs and support this proposal.

Ultimately, we have seen that changes to our climate make it difficult to predict how much our communities will be impacted. First, "el nino" and now the change to, "la nina", are events and phenomena that we are not prepared for especially when we face wildfires every year. Many have already suffered from the air quality. When we suffer from wildfires, people with medical conditions and children need Community Resilience hubs the most. We need places where people can find refuge temporarily and promote the well-being of counties in Oregon. My family left California after the wildfires and saw firsthand what it is like to rebuild our lives.

Winter storms are another drastic change that we have to live through, and we must be prepared to support our community when these events are ha. Earthquakes are another climate destruction we must prepare for, please support us as we have the opportunity now to stay calm and know where we can go during these climate disruptions. We need to know how and when to evacuate in case of climate disruptions.

We all need good air quality and a space to shelter in case of climate disruptions!

Thank you and I know you all worry about your constituents in every county of Oregon. Thank you for your support on HB 2990.

Attentively,

Lidia Marín