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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Education

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Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Weber and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support SB 1075. In my 25 years as an Oregon educator, I have witnessed first hand the decimation of school library programs and the effects it has on schools to lose trained, certified librarians. While SB 1075 doesn't directly bring librarians back to schools, it is a significant step in the right direction. Oregon students of all ages are losing out because of the lack of library media programs. Passing this bill would send a strong message of support to Oregon students and educators.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I urge you to pass SB 1075/885.

Sincerely, Wendy Gassaway