

Date: February 19, 2023

To: House Committee on Climate, Energy and Environment

Re: Support for HB 2990 Community Resilience Hubs

My name is Etelberto Cabrera and I live in Washington County and I am writing in support of HB 2990.

I would like to talk about an issue that concerns me personally and my community: to have places of resilience, we need to act. And that is HB 2990, which is where we are fighting to have these Resilience centers, a place where we can go in an emergency. We need to act as quickly as possible, nature does not warn, and we do not want to be caught off guard. We have seen how much of our community was affected by the fires of 2020 and the fires that happened after this date.

We must coordinate with organizations, with the community, with agencies that have preparation in these issues, receive training and that the Community is the one that decides what services these services have, these places of Resilience that are very equipped with everything essential, That they have large spaces, also spaces to plant vegetables where they can be used on these occasions, places where you can breathe pollution-free air and a place where you can recharge your phones, so your support is very important to make this possible.

I ask for your support for these important bills: Yes, to HB 2990.

Sincerely,

Etelberto Cabrera