

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians Tribal Enrollment

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Senate Committee on Housing and Development 900 Court Street NE Salem, Oregon, 97301

Dear Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Anderson and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians ("Cow Creek"), I write in support of Senate Bill 847-5.

This legislation is one tool for our partner governments to manage better and serve the public in and around Cow Creek's ancestral territory. We continue to encourage and partner with local governments and service providers in their efforts to address houselessness.

Our region's lack of housing, wraparound resources, and health services affects us all. Protecting service providers and local governments who attempt to meet this public health crisis is prudent and necessary.

Thank you for considering this measure, which will help us better serve and protect the Cow Creek people, lands, waters, fish, and wildlife in rural Oregon.

Sincerely,

Michele Moore

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