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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

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Hello,

My name is Karen Gosser, I am nearly 73 years old and live at Woodspring apartments in Tigard, Oregon. I moved in to these apartments when I turned 55 years old with the knowledge that these apartments would remain affordable for seniors.

I live in affordable housing and cannot afford yearly 5% rent increases. Social security and wages can't keep up.

No other business needs to raise prices by 5%+ every year to stay afloat. I have already made many sacrifices to keep up with these rent increases, but will not be able to absorb another. We are in a housing and homelessness crisis, to keep people housed we must keep the rent increases reasonable. Our current law allowing 7% + inflation (14.6% this year!) is not just unreasonable, it is inhumane and would make me homeless.

Thank you for your service and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Karen Gosser

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