Submitter: Victory Hall

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB611

Chair Jama, Vice Chair Anderson, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Victory Hall and I'm a 60 year old renter in Multnomah County where I've been a renter for the majority of my adult life. I'm also currently working for a Community Development Org. with residents who live in affordable housing. Although the rent increase this year was much lower than what other land lords chose to impose on renters both for myself and for the residents I work with, rent increases far out pace wage and social security increases. We are experiencing a State wide housing crisis as you are aware of and putting a cap on allowing rents to be raised no more than 8% in a calendar year rather than 14.6% as it stands now just makes sense if we want to make any kind of progress in this housing crisis. We need SB611 to pass.