

March 22, 2023

To: Chair Grayber and Vice-Chair Tran,

In 2018, our firm became part of an important movement in Oregon. We became part of the Benefit Company for Good community. We did this to not only demonstrate our belief in the ideals that form the foundation of BCFG, but because we also believe that by practicing these ideals, we can have a more meaningful impact in making Oregon the great place it is.

I hope you will support and pass **HB 3572** that gives Oregon Benefit Companies (OBC) a sustainable advantage when submitting a proposal to the Oregon procurement office for a contract.

As businesses dedicated to a triple bottom line of People, Planet and Profit, OBC leaders like me and other is our firm have a commitment to people and planet sometimes requiring that we make business decisions that positively impact the environment and society, even if they are not as cost-efficient as choice we might otherwise make.

Oregon Benefit Companies are the kind of small businesses every community and city in Oregon needs. These companies believe in living wages for their employees, supporting a diverse workforce and mitigating carbon output from their operations.

HB 3572 will help us ensure that the Oregon Benefit Company movement continues to thrive in our state and acknowledges the commitment these purpose-driven leaders have made to all their stakeholders.

Please support and pass HB 3572.

Sincerely,

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A Benefit Company for Good organization since 2018