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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Measure: SB5506

Hello, I'm writing you today in support of SB 5506 on behalf of the Oregon State Fairgrounds emergency investments. The Oregon State Fair opens their doors any and every time there is a need for emergency services. In the 2020 wildfires, there weren't too many places for people to relocate their animals, the OSF not only opened up for animals but also people, they have provided an area for COVID testing and vaccinations, they work directly with Marion County Emergency Management, City of Salem, American Red Cross, Salem Health, Church in the park and many more. They have never turned anyone away. The OFA request for funding on capital improvement is absolutely vital for them to continue to operate and provide services for their Community.

Thank you