

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1012

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Dean O'Donnell and we lived at 260 Santiam Ave., Detroit, Oregon for over 20 years. We lost our home in the wildfires of 2020 along with everything we owned. After working thru the insurance requirements, which took hundreds of hours, to get a settlement payment. Only to learn that with the cost of building materials increasing dramatically, to our surprise we were UNDER INSURED.

As a wildfire survivor, I think it would be very unfair for the State of Oregon to allow our home to be appraised at 2023 market value prices. I am in full support of SB 1012, which would authorize Marion County to homestead real market values for the 2020-2021 tax year. We are in the final stages of rebuilding our home in Detroit. The home we lost was 3200 sq. ft. Our new home, while not the same footprint, is 3195 sq. ft.

I highly encourage you to vote in support of SB 1012.

Thank You,
Dean O'Donnell