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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Destiny, a born Oregonian and renter, writing in support of HB 2001 granting more equitable rights to renters and tenants. In less than a minute, I can recall living in 12 housing situations in just over 20 years, and I believe that is not a complete number reflecting the burden of housing insecurity which is plaguing our communities, families, and children. My direct family has moved across country because a single mother with 4 children can not afford housing in our county. Communities of color, multigenerational households, and single parents face incredible barriers for economic support, and current renting laws protect landlords and homeowners from the consequences of bad job markets, economic growth, and racist policymaking and city planning that has hurt our families and neighbors. Housing insecurity affected my mother's employment, my and my siblings education, and ultimately broke our family unit with distance which broke our time and care for each other. Laws need to be more forgiving, especially to our families, children, and neighbors who are realistically going through the most challenging of times if they are finding themselves in the courthouse facing eviction, and even more for those families who don't currently have the strength, resources, or even the access to asking for help.

Please protect our families, children, and neighbors in need by passing HB 2001.
Thank you.