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Measure: SB1537

I believe that our current planning and growth management system will not allow us to reach the levels of production we need to properly house Oregonians. Continuing along the path we are on will only reinforce inequities in our system and make our housing backlog worse. We must reframe our system with urgency and a bold approach to meeting housing needs, which includes finally addressing the land constraints that drive up the cost of housing. SB 1537 would do just that and proposes one of the strongest requirements for affordable housing production in the United States. Oregonians need you to take bold action to solve our housing crisis this Session. SB 1537 is a step in the right direction to increase housing production and bring down the costs of housing for Oregonians. Please vote YES on SB 1537 to make meaningful change in the lives of Oregonians this Session.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments today