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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB1530

I support a Yes vote on Bill 1530 with the inclusion of funding for furniture bank services. Housing isn't just four walls and a roof, it's a space that should support the dignity and wellbeing of the occupants. Research has consistently shown that the presence of furniture creates a positive impact on housing stability. Furnished homes contribute to the physical and mental wellbeing of residents and can help foster an environment of recovery and even growth. Furniture banks provide an equitable, affordable and sustainable solution for Oregonians and I hope you will consider including funding for furniture bank services in Bill 1530.