

Submitter: Amy Thomas

On Behalf Of: Lane County Multi-Use Public Facility

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital Construction

Measure: HB5201

Co-Chair Holvey, Co-Chair Girod, and Members of the Committee,

As a resident of the city of Eugene and Lane County, I wish to convey my support for constructing a new multi-use stadium at the fairgrounds.

This would facilitate keeping the Ems where they are, in our community. The Eugene Emeralds baseball team has been, and if supported will continue to be an important part of the fabric of our community for many years. This is an important tradition for many in Eugene including marginalized populations such as the Hispanic community represented by Los Monarcas de Eugene. The Ems coordinate with many local community organizations including nonprofits, organizations that represent underprivileged youth, local school reading programs, the humane society and many more.

Players give local kids role models that are accessible, not just in big cities.

In addition, the multi use facility would bring many events to our community that some residents would not be able to have access to if travel outside the area were required.

Please support Lane County in this important community endeavor.

Thank you for your consideration,

Registered voter,

Amy Thomas