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Senator Kate Lieber and Representative Jason Kropf
Co-Chairs, Joint Addictions and Community Safety Response Committee
900 Court St., NE
Salem, Oregon 97301

Honorable Senator Lieber and Representative Kropf,

I am writing to express support for HB 4002 with the -24 amendment, which I believe will help our community members experiencing drug addiction by providing access to treatment and rehabilitation.

We have seen the impact of Measure 110 in Tigard and recognize that, without adequate infrastructure to address behavioral health and addiction, care for our community members has fallen short. I believe that the approach presented in the -24 amendment moves us closer to addressing these public health and community safety needs. I support funding for development of deflection centers in Washington County, and believe that by standing up these centers, we provide an avenue to support those who desire treatment, making progress on improving community health and well-being.

The City of Tigard, including Tigard's Police Department, agrees to participate in the program as described in HB 4002 -24. We will work with our partners to develop and implement city- and county-specific service programs, support IMPACTS funding requests, and divert individuals facing a PCS-U charge away from the criminal justice system and towards treatment and rehabilitation, as described in this amendment.

Thank you for your consideration of this amendment. We look forward to better health and safety outcomes for all in our community.

Sincerely,

Heidi Lueb
Tigard Mayor