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Committee:	Senate Committee On Housing and Development
Measure:	SB1537

Dear Housing Chair and Committee,

It's been a long time coming but Oregon's housing crises is here and it's real. "Not in my back yard" and overzealous no growth policies have crippled our housing industry to bring us to the point where we are 500,000 homes short of meeting current demand. We need reform and we need it now. SB 1537 isn't perfect but it's a start that needs to be made if Oregon's chronic housing shortage is ever going to be addressed. Oregonians deserve the opportunity to be able to purchase a home that is safe, sustainable and affordable but they need your help to make that possible. I urge you to support SB 1537 as a badly needed piece of legislation toward making Oregon housing more available.

Thank you,

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