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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3062

Hello Chair Tran, Vice-Chair Grayber, Vice-Chair Lewis, and members of the Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans,

Thank you for considering my testimony in support of HB3062.

My name is Sophie. I'm a mom and educator living in Portland, OR. I support HB 3062, which will positively affect the way my community decides where to locate industry, schools, homes, hospitals, and care facilities. This bill gives my community an important tool to make sure neighborhoods come with common-sense protections when industry and communities become neighbors.

Currently it is far too easy for industry to become bad neighbors when located close to homes. I personally experienced this last year during the ProLogis warehouse fire, when asbestos-ridden debris fell from the sky on my home and garden while I was pregnant due to ProLogis' poor property management and proximity to residential neighborhoods.

This bill would support the well-being of me, my family, and my neighbors through protections for our most vulnerable residents and communities from safety and environmental issues.

Thank you for your time, service, and consideration.

Warmly,
Sophie