



Honorable Pam Marsh
Chair, House Committee on Housing and Homelessness
900 Court St. NE, HR-F
Salem, OR 97301

RE: HB 2138 - Expands allowable middle housing and expands middle housing requirements to include urban unincorporated lands.

Dear Representative Marsh,

I am writing to voice the City of Dallas' opposition to HB 2138 – specifically Section 22(1)(f). The City of Dallas believes in building more housing in communities across Oregon, and the city also supports the preservation of historic resources. Section 22(1)(f) of this bill would eliminate minimum protections for buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places, allowing for demolition without a robust review process. Historic designation requires rigorous research and vetting to prove cultural significance. They should not be erased without careful consideration.

Please remove Section 22(1)(f) from this legislation in order to continue to protect historic resources in communities like Dallas.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brian Latta", is placed above the typed name.

Brian Latta,
City Manager
City of Dallas, Oregon