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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB438

Dear Committee Members,

I support SB 438. My husband and I live on the farm that his dad bought 55 years ago. There is only one home on this 80 acres. Under current land use, we cannot build a home for one of our adult children to live in. They cannot afford to buy a home in the current market, although they have good jobs. Allowing another home to be built on our farm would help not only our children, but also relieve much of the stress on the housing shortage in Oregon, which drives prices up. With many people being able to do this, we may be able to help drive home prices down, which would also help our economy.

Thank you,

Karen Schmidlin