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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Veterans, Emergency  
Management, Federal and World Affairs

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SCR23

Dear Senate Committee,

I am writing in support of SCR 23 because of my experience with Western Oregon University's sister university, Saitama University, in Japan. Having a relationship with another foreign institution was an enriching experience for me, our faculty and students, and for the faculty and students of Saitama University. Exchanges between our schools created learning opportunities and understanding between both our cultures. The experiences were rewarding and have continued to enrich my life and my students' lives, as well as creating understanding between individuals.

I have seen the relationship between Portland and its sister city Sapporo, Japan, create numerous positive experiences for both the people of Portland and Sapporo. I personally benefited from that relationship when I lived in Portland and my artwork traveled to Sapporo for an exhibition. Let's create an opportunity to have a sister state in Ukraine that would be rewarding for all of the people in Oregon as well as for the people in Ukraine.

Please support SCR 23.

Sincerely,  
Kim Hoffman  
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