Submitter: Ann Turner

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB703

Senator Prozanski, Vice-Chair Thatcher and Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Ann Turner. I am a retired physician and Co-President of the Board of Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility (Oregon PSR), an organization that works to protect human life from the gravest threats to health and survival.

I am writing in strong support of SB 703 that will provide state funds to nonprofit organizations to help them provide legal services to people who have a case to obtain permanent residential status. Everyone deserves legal representation. Excluding immigration is unjust. Many in Oregon have been living and working productively, contributing to the economic and social fabric of our wonderful State. Those who are eligible to become legal residents should be given every opportunity to do so.

Wealth shouldn't be the criteria for obtaining legal representation. As legislators, please step up to the plate and make it available to all residents of Oregon.

Thank you for your consideration.

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