

WATER LEAGUE

*Water League engages the public
in water stewardship.*

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May 28, 2025

To: House Committee On Rules

Representative Ben Bowman, Chair

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Representative Hal Pham, Vice-Chair

Representatives Shelly Boshart Davis, Lucetta Elmer, Jason Kropf, Andrea Valderrama

RE: Water League supports SB 547 A, designating April Oregon's Native Plant Appreciation Month.

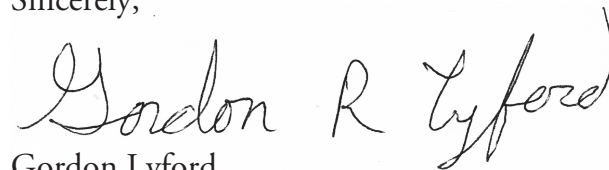
Dear Chair Bowman, Vice-Chairs Drazan and Pham, and Committee Members,

Water League engages the public in water stewardship because the waters of Oregon belong to all citizens, and they wish to hold water in trust. We recognize that land and water are one system that flora, fauna, and humans depend on.

We enthusiastically support all the reasons cited in SB 547 A that justify the declaration of April as Oregon Native Plant Appreciation Month. The designation will help youth become more aware of native flora so that when they are adults, they will have a greater appreciation of Oregon's native plants. Such an understanding will foster greater protection and care for Oregon's many native plants, pollinators, and biodiversity.

Several states have declared April as Native Plant Appreciation Month each year for their native flora. Oregon is well-suited to join them.

Sincerely,



Gordon Lyford
Vice-President