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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4035

I am writing in strong support of HB 4035. For too long, the limited supply of buildable land within our Urban Growth Boundaries has driven land prices to a level where affordable housing is nearly impossible to build without massive subsidies. HB 4035 provides a sensible, temporary tool for cities to expand their boundaries specifically for residential use. Most importantly, it ensures that this growth isn't just 'more of the same'—the requirement for long-term affordability and the focus on diverse housing types like manufactured home parks and housing for older persons ensures that our community remains accessible to everyone, not just the highest bidders.