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I am writing in strong support of HB 4035A.

Oregon's housing shortage continues to impact families, workforce mobility, and the long-term economic health of our communities. While SB 1537 was intended to provide cities with a meaningful one-time opportunity to expand Urban Growth Boundaries (UGBs) for housing production, restrictive eligibility requirements have limited its practical use. HB 4035A provides the necessary adjustments to ensure this tool can function as originally intended.

By broadening the standard for demonstrating housing need, clarifying eligible land criteria, allowing modestly larger expansions when part of a complete community, expanding options where surrounding lands are predominantly resource land, and extending the timeline to 2033 with implementation support, HB 4035A creates a workable and responsible pathway for cities to address underproduction.

This bill does not abandon thoughtful planning — it strengthens it. HB 4035A gives communities a realistic opportunity to increase housing supply, support affordability, and plan for sustainable growth.

I respectfully urge your support of HB 4035A.