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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Kayla Bonnet and I am a born-and-raised Oregonian. I live in the high desert, which is one of Oregon's most special and unique ecosystems, home to incredible plant life and wildlife that needs our advocacy to survive and thrive. By adding a small increase to our state's transient lodging tax, we can take a crucial step in ensuring this ecosystem is protected for our generation and those to come. We have a tremendous tourism industry in Central Oregon, and it's important to put a very small responsibility on those who travel here for recreation, to do their part in maintaining and preserving it.

Additionally, we currently have to rely on State funding and State responsibility for all things environmental. We cannot depend on anyone else, particularly the Federal Government, to care about our land and our resources, because they simply won't. This tax increase will set an example and a precedent for other states to follow suit, in taking pride and stewardship of our precious lands. Please help keep Oregon wild and thriving by voting in support of HB 4134.

Sincerely,
Kayla Bonnet