

It is everyone's right to achieve the American Dream of Home ownership!

Up ending Oregon's mortgage interest deduction-MID creates a bias against Oregonians who work hard, many more than one job-to pay their mortgage, pay their taxes, feed their kids-all the while being an active contributor to their family, friends, neighborhoods, and community.

That was proven when communities came together with the pandemic and the Wildfires ravaged out state.

I encourage you to move to a community wealth minded state where home ownership can be realized.

It is time to give a hand of thanks for all the homeowners that work so hard.

Thousands of Oregon families rely on the MID each year to afford the homes they are currently in.

We do not have affordable home ownership housing.

We do not have enough housing inventory to meet the demand.

We are in the middle of a pandemic.

We are recovering from the Wildfires.

Oregon has shifted to Rental State-a Lego Land mentality of rentals properties stacking up around the state. All the while dashing the dreams of home ownership-always a Renter never a Homeowner.

Our Oregonians deserve better. They have earned the right to be homeowners.

Our homeowners are the foundation of our state.

Our homeowners pay for schools, education, infrastructure, the destination nomads, and homeless.

And this is how we thank them...And this is how we thank them?

It is time that we stand up and say NO.

It is time that we support our homeowners and future homeowners.

It is time to create great communities of homeowners to strengthen our state.

Please pause and take compassionate care and consideration-In the middle of this pandemic, recovery of the wildfires, no affordable housing and lack of homes, we cannot afford to make home ownership housing less affordable for anyone.

I encourage you to stand and say NO to House Bill 2578.

Thank you,

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