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On Behalf Of: Bend YIMBY
Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development
Measure: SB1530

Chair Jama, Vice Chair Anderson, committee members,

I am writing in support of SB 1530 because I would like to see continued support for shelters for those with nowhere else to turn.

Housing is a ladder with many rungs, and many of our rungs are not in great shape in Oregon. Failing to fund shelters will mean going backwards in terms of putting those rungs in place, rather than making progress.

As a resident of Deschutes County, we need funding to keep our shelters operating. We do not live in a climate conducive to easy living outdoors throughout much of the year, and having someplace safe and warm is vital.

Thank you
David Welton
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