

The Honorable Senators Pham, Chair, and Anderson, Vice-Chair  
Senate Committee on Housing and Development

April 28, 2025

Re: HB 3921 Letter of Support

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Housing and Development,

My name is Brennan Garrelts, and I am a resident of Roseburg, Oregon. I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 3921.

As a citizen deeply invested in the future of Roseburg, I have witnessed firsthand the challenges our city faces in terms of housing and development. HB 3921 addresses these challenges by facilitating thoughtful and strategic growth, ensuring that our community can accommodate the increasing demand for housing while preserving the quality of life for current residents.

#### **Supporting Points from Previously Submitted Testimony**

1. **Economic Growth and Stability:** HB 3921 is essential for fostering economic growth and stability in Roseburg. This growth is vital for the economic health of our city and will help reduce unemployment rates.
2. **Affordable Housing:** One of the most pressing issues in Roseburg is the lack of housing. Increasing the supply of housing will have across-the-board impacts to help support our citizens and our community.
3. **Infrastructure Improvements:** HB 3921 also addresses the need for infrastructure improvements to support the growing population in this area. These improvements will enhance the quality of life for all residents and ensure that our city can handle future growth.
4. **Community Support:** The bill has garnered significant support from various community organizations and leaders. The Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce, Aviva Health, Umpqua Community College, Roseburg Public School and other local entities have all expressed their support for HB 3921. This widespread backing underscores the importance of the bill for the future success of our community.

#### **Personal Perspective**

As a longtime resident of Roseburg, I have seen the positive impact that thoughtful development can have on a community. Expanding the urban growth boundary and updating land use regulations are necessary steps to ensure that Roseburg can continue to thrive.

The bill's focus on affordable housing is particularly important to me. I have co-workers and employees who struggle to find affordable housing options. HB 3921 not only improves the lives of those in need but also contributes to the overall health and stability of our community.

In conclusion, I urge the Committee to support HB 3921. This bill is vital for the continued growth and prosperity of Roseburg.

Thank you for your consideration on this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Brennan Garrelts  
Roseburg, Oregon