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My name is Deborah Strochlic. I live in Eugene and have been a rental provider for 28 years. I am proud to say that I have worked with people with 'barriers' to being accepted, and hope to continue to do so. Passing restrictive laws will only hurt those people. Rent control has shown not to work. Restrictive laws already caused many people to sell their properties to home buyers, leaving the market with even LESS available housing. Seems to me, that effect is the exact opposite of what you are trying to create. Please consider this carefully! Instead of restrictive policies, create open ones- for example: make it easier to create an ADU in garages and offer low interest loans to do it, offer loans for security deposits and first month rent, give incentives for renting to people with barriers, like guaranteed coverage of damages over a certain amount, (like HUD offers). PLEASE look at the unintended consequences. They will hurt the ones you are trying to help.