



La Grande Oregon.

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Public Testimony in Support of House Bill 3939

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Chair Marsh, Vice-Chair Andersen, Vice-Chair Breese-Iverson, and Members of the House Committee on Housing and Homelessness,

Thank you for supporting and promoting housing. As we look for ways to put balance in the housing supply/demand ratio, I believe all mechanisms that accomplish this should be considered. HB 3939 is one such consideration. If we do not take bold action, Oregon will only fall further behind in the housing crisis battle. Providing needed infrastructure in communities that do not have capacity to scale up production is critical to housing creation, job creation and additional tax base creation. Thank you for careful consideration of placing housing balance as a primary Oregon goal.

Having been involved in the recent process to create Ontario Oregon's first Veteran Village housing development, our team understands how difficult it is to find balance between affordability and the actual capability of funding and developing rural projects like these. Construction of housing for 60% AMI tenants depends heavily on these types public-private partnerships.

As we continue to look for ways to partner with rural Oregon communities, we urge you support HB 3939 and continue with other critical legislation that says yes to housing

Sincerely,

Gust C Tsiatsos