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**Regarding: Reauthorization of \$15M in Lottery Bond Funding**

Dear Members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction,

The Governing Board of the Eugene Family YMCA is grateful for the vital impact of the \$15M allocation of lottery bond funding awarded to the Eugene YMCA during the 2019 legislative session. This funding propelled our efforts to build a new YMCA forward in critical ways and brought this long-awaited dream very near reality.

We also understand and appreciate the challenges facing the State due to the impacts of COVID-19 on lottery revenue and the reasons that affected the 2019 lottery bond projects.

Thank you for continuing to work with us on this legacy project in the 2021 session.

The Governing Board of the Eugene Family YMCA would like to once again formally request an authorization of \$15M in State funding.

This funding will join tens of millions of dollars that have been committed to this urgent project by hundreds of local individuals, families, and grantors in order to help build this enduring community asset.

With your support, this legacy project is ready to begin construction very quickly.

For 134 years, the Eugene Family YMCA has supported Oregon families. The new YMCA will significantly expand the Y's ability to build confidence, health, independence, and the lives of Oregon families through a wide array of new or enhanced education and health programs, initiatives, and partnerships.

Thank you for your support, it will positively impact generations of Oregonians for decades to come!

Sincerely,

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