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To: House Committee on Veterans and Emergency Management; others

Re: I SUPPORT [HB 2234]...Save Chehalem Mountain and Remember Laura Cochran!

[HB 2234] partial summary states, "Requires Director of Department of Consumer and Business Services to prescribe in appropriate specialty codes standards, safeguards and guidelines for incorporating fire prevention and fireproofing or fire resistance measures into construction, repair, renovation, rehabilitation, retrofitting or maintenance of buildings and other structures that are located in areas of this state that are subject to or susceptible to wildfires. Requires director to provide by rule that owners of buildings and structures located in areas of this state that are subject to or susceptible to wildfires **must obtain and maintain fire insurance policy** that would enable owner to rebuild or replace building or structure and that as condition of coverage building or structure **must implement specific fire prevention or resistance measures**, including, but not limited to, maintenance of space between building or structure and sources of combustion that would be sufficient to reduce likelihood of fire damage and increase effectiveness of firefighting efforts."

Unfortunately, the Yamhill County, the Board of Commissioners [**Mary Starrett, Casey Kulla** and Rick Olson-who no longer sits on the BOC] authorized a marijuana/hemp processing/extraction refinery on Chehalem Mountain.

Should the structures of the corporate entity where; Butane / Ethanol marijuana processing and or storage facilities are located, "catch on fire," a catastrophic explosion could easily occur igniting a corresponding conflagration.

The ensuing blast radius and conflagration will cause; many private homes to be destroyed, some people will lose their lives and those are left alive and rescued; could face serious long-term physical and emotional injuries for the rest of their earthly lives.

[HB 2234] could serve as an interim, temporary fix until Yamhill Commissioner Chair Mary Starrett and Commissioner Casey Kulla are voted out of office and the permit allowing the marijuana/hemp processing/extraction refinery is repealed.

Additional information on "Save Chehalem Mountain" is here:

<https://savechehalemtountain.com/our-mission/>

AND HERE:

Yamhill County Planning Department: [Docket No.: SDR-28-19]

I am not a resident or own property on Chehalem Mountain.

I am not associated with "Save Chehalem Mountain."

My dear friend Laura Cochran, her life was taken in defense of Chehalem Mountain.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ David S. Wall

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