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On Behalf Of:

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I am writing in support of HB 3482. As a Christian faith leader, I am ready and eager to mobilize my community on behalf of suffering Oregonians. All of us suffer when there is inequality. Right now, the most harmful issue in our state is lack of affordable housing. My faith community is currently in the process of building and housing a tiny home village (in partnership with WeShine PDX) to shelter neighbors currently living outdoors. My faith community (and the broader faith community) stewards thousands of acres of buildable land across Oregon and many of us are ready to use it for the good of our neighbors. The funding proposed in this bill would help people of faith expedite the building of deeply affordable and supportive housing that is so desperately needed right now. Please consider allocating the funds to help faith communities tackle the humanitarian emergency of unsheltered homelessness!

Thank you,

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