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May 6, 2021

To: Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee

From: Ronda Groshong, Beaverton Police Department

RE: Support for Washington County Family Peace Center project (SB 5534)

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We urge your support for the Washington County Family Peace Center project. This investment in the most vulnerable members of our community will not only promote the health and safety of children and families today, but the well-being of future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ronda Groshong
Chief of Police
Beaverton, OR



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To: Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee

From: Jim Coleman, Chief of Police

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A handwritten signature in black ink.

Jim Coleman
Chief of Police

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To: Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee

From: Rolanda Garcia, Washington County District Manager - ODHS

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Rolanda Garcia
ODHS-WA County District Manager
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HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT

FACILITIES AND SUPPORT SERVICES

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To: Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee

From: Casey Waletich, Chief Operations Officer
Hillsboro School District

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Casey Waletich

Casey Waletich, Chief Operations Officer

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TO: Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey and Members of the Joint Committee

Re: Support for Washington County Family Peace Center project (SB 5534)

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Washington County Family Peace Center project.

I support the proposed creation of a much needed west side location for CARES NW child abuse, resource and evaluation services in the soon to be vacated Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency building. We believe this location would be most effective for caring for our local young victims of sexual violence, especially if it can be co-located with the Washington County Family Justice Center. The WCCA building would be ideal to serve both, often interrelated, needs in a location more easily accessible to residents from around the county.

My decades in organizing and providing health care services and having the opportunity to sit on various committees and boards that intersect with the needs of children (including Washington County Commission on Children and Families, Washington County Public Health Advisory Committee, Community Action Organization, and the Washington County Vision Action Network), have made it clear to me that there is a compelling argument that we can provide these services more effectively and efficiently closer to home. More children will be able to make their appointments for evaluation and care, and staff assisting them will be more readily available.

I strongly urge your support for the Washington County Family Peace Center project. This is a win-win-win opportunity for vulnerable community members and future generations of our children in need, these agencies, and the County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Richard V. Stenson, FACHE, FACMPE
President & CEO, Tuality Healthcare (retired)