TO: Chairperson Burdick and Senate Committee Members

FROM: Paul Hudgens, MBA, Former Navy Pilot and Officer

DATE: February 20, 2012

SUBJECT: House Bill 1586

Chairman Burdick and Distinguished Members of the Committee,

It is with great appreciation that I write a letter in support of House Bill 1586 because, as an ambitious college educated leader, entrepreneur, former military officer, and visionary CEO, the passing of the aforementioned bill will actualize my current acquisition of an agricultural aviation business bringing jobs and tax revenue to our very state in need -Oregon.

Since my Honorable Discharge from the Navy (a pilot & HR officer), I have had the first hand experience of feeling our nation's tumultuous economy by working odd consultant contracts for various businesses. But now, this opportunity to acquire an aviation business and lead, promote, and motivate people as I've done for the past 15 years is where I will suit our nation best. Especially, in the great State of Oregon, this will be made possible due to several factors that Oregon promotes and supports ethnic minorities who are highly educated, well rounded citizens who care about the land in which we all live.

I plan to support the House Bill 1586, because my newly acquired business endeavors to transfer innovative technologies (helicopters and airplanes) to the private sector and commercialize innovative research and development (expansion will include exporting and servicing China agriculturally). My business will bring our state economy several jobs, increased tax revenue, and business expansion I foresee increasing over the next 7 years. Above all, I understand that job creation is the ultimate way to circulate more money throughout our economy and get America (one State at a time) back on its feet.

In closing, I support the Bill as long as it backs under-represented, educated and capable African-American business executives to increase our state's tax revenues through business ownership and job creation in this time of economic necessity.

Very Respectfully,

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