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The Honorable Jackie Dingfelder,
Chairs Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources
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Dear Chair Dingfelder and Honorable Committee Members,

My name is Adele Dawson and I strongly support SB 1510 because we NEED Marine Reserves.

The Territorial Sea is under ever increasing pressure due to changing climate, seafood harvest, pollution, development onshore and now wave

energy and aqua-culture. We need to preserve a network of protected areas for eco-systems to survive before it's all divvied up. Now is the time

to look ahead and save some of what we have now instead of later saying "oops why didn't we?"

Marine Reserves are in place all over the world and have proven to be remarkable in restoring habitat and boosting biodiversity.

We can learn from the collapse of fisheries all over the world, don't let it happen here.

The proposed Marine Reserves were hammered out by a full year of meetings. I was personally at many of the Cape Perpetua meetings. At the

table were truly the stakeholders, the people most affected by putting reserves in place. There were very strong opinions voiced and compromise

seemed unlikely, but in the end everyone gave up something and a decision was reached. To disregard the time and effort put into these decisions

is an insult to all involved.

SB 1510 calls for local resources and expertise to be used, keeping coastal communities involved in the continuing stewardship of Marine Reserves.

The Territorial Sea is a public resource belonging to all Oregonians.
It is up to all of us to manage it wisely for current and future generations.

Please join me in supporting SB 1510.

Sincerely,

Adele Dawson