

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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February 12, 2013

The Honorable Chris Garrett, Chair House Rules Committee 900 Court St. NE Salem, OR 97301

RE: Letter in support of HB 2352 – Designating August 9 of each year as Boring and Dull Day

Dear Chair Garrett and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners, I express our support of HB 2352, which designates August 9 of each year as Boring and Dull Day to commemorate the pairing of Boring, Oregon, and Dull, Scotland, as a "Pair for the Ages."

Boring, located in Clackamas County, Oregon, is uniquely qualified to be recognized alongside Dull, Scotland given their numerous similarities. Both communities are situated amid beautiful scenery near the foothills of their region's most prominent mountains – Mt. Hood in Oregon and Ben. Schlehallion in Scotland. Boring and Dull are surrounded by productive farm lands and are well known for their horses, weather, and cultural richness. The community names of Boring and Dull provide lighthearted amusement and abundant photo opportunities to visitors and passersby alike.

In 2012, Clackamas County first proclaimed Boring and Dull as a pair for the ages. While neither community is a city, we heartily endorse the "unofficially official" sister city relationship between Boring and Dull. That connection has helped to further the social connection between these two communities while attracting attention and tourism to Clackamas County. Boring has clearly lived up to its unofficial distinction of being "the most exciting place to live."

We strongly urge your support of HB 2352 and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John Ludlow, Chair On behalf of the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners