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RE: HB 2535 Written Testimony

To: <u>hagnr.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov</u>

To The Joint Committee on Ways and Means, and Whoever It May Concern:

Since its founding in 1975, GloryBee has supported the health of honeybees in a variety of ways, including educating beekeepers and spreading the hobby of beekeeping, and sharing knowledge with the community about the wonders and benefits of our favorite pollinators. In 2012, GloryBee formalized and introduced our Save the Bee nonprofit, dedicated to raising funds for honey bee research and protection.

Because of our dedication to honey bee health, and the health of all pollinators, we would like to express our support for House Bill 2535. While we are in favor of the noxious weed removal, we believe it is crucial that the plants used to replace them provide the same or greater forage resources for pollinators.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our input.

Sincerely,

RaeJean Wilson, Senior Executive Vice President

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