June 20, 2017

From the Desk of Senator James Ivory Manning Jr.

**Dear Senator Manning** 

I'm a member of the Board of Directors for Veterans Legacy, a 501(c)(3) entity that has leased the former Lane County Forest Inmate Camp in Alma, Oregon. Our goal is to provide residential treatment for military veterans in need of extended intervention for PTSD/anxiety disorders and also provide supportive therapy for substance abuse issues as well. Currently, we are working closely with VA personnel at various locations to design a referral process to our facility as well as integrating treatment regimens that will assure continuity of care.

I believe the intent of HB2891, which to my knowledge is in front of you either currently or in the near future, is an ideal vehicle to provide funding for support of the clinical personnel/treatment infrastructure that is required to give the veteran various opportunities to pursue regimens that he believes to be the most applicable to his goals. As we are in the design phase of this endeavor, a funding grant from this entity would seem particularly germane.

We at Veterans Legacy would appreciate your support of HB2891 as we all work together to help Oregon veterans in need to return to their communities and families as functioning citizens/spouses/parents with the needed tools to achieve their life goals.

I would be personally honored to arrange a tour of our facility at a convenient time for you. More information on Veterans Legacy can be derived from our website – <a href="https://www.veteranslegacyoregon.org">www.veteranslegacyoregon.org</a> – and by all means please feel free to call me at 541-914-0885

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Sincerely,

Dan Buckwald

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