

To whom it may concern~

I am writing to you to today in support of the Sustainable Shopping Initiative legislation. I am a local business owner, a surfer, City Councilor, and outdoor enthusiast. On my daily walks through our neighborhood forest, and on our downtown streets, I am constantly reminded of our throw-away culture. Plastic bags litter our environment with a staggering amount finding their way to the ocean/beaches. As a tourism focused business (brewery/pub), a clean environment is a necessity for us to engage visitors in our community, while making a quality first impression. Oregon's most treasured natural resource, our ocean's and beaches, deserve our respect and any efforts to make them clean. Please help us coastal communities, by pursuing a sustainable shopping initiative, and helping us to reduce our adverse effects in the Pacific Ocean. Thanks you!

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