TAWNA SANCHEZ STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 43 NORTH AND NORTHEAST PORTLAND



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 8, 2019

Re: HB 2619A - Chlorpyrifos

Hello Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee,

I write in support of House Bill 2619A, which would ban the sale, purchase or use of any pesticide product containing chlorpyrifos in Oregon.

We know from science that chlorpyrifos harm human health, and that early exposure to the pesticide has been shown to affect IQ, reading ability, and can lead to hyperactivity in children, among other negative outcomes. This pesticide also poses great risks to agricultural workers who administer the chlorpyrifos, or who work handling agricultural products that have been treated with the pesticide.

The states of Hawaii, California, and New York have already enacted similar bans on chlorpyrifos, and Oregon should be next.

With Gratitude,

Tawna Sanchez State Representative North and Northeast Portland

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