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Greetings!

This is my first email to an Oregon government body. I recently moved to Portland from Minneapolis, where as part of the city's Comprehensive Plan rewrite, Minneapolitans showed up in droves to say that legalizing small apartments citywide was the right thing to do. We saw it as a part of following up on our values and welcoming everyone to our neighborhoods. It also has many added benefits like helping affordable housing dollars go further, and reducing carbon emissions. Small apartments also generate larger property tax revenue than single family homes, which is a great way to help find funding for other crucial programs like public transportation. Neighborhoods with small apartments are more able to support small businesses and crucial services that people need, and being able to walk or bike a short distance for basic needs is a great way to free up time and decrease time spent in the car.

I wanted to email to say that I support this and that it's inspiring to move to a state that is showing leadership and taking these issues on on a higher level than individual city government. I've seen so many great things that the state does already, and this will be a fine addition.

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