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The Honorable Brian L. Clem House Committee on Agriculture and Land Use 900 Court St. NE, H-478 Salem, Oregon 97301

## *Re:* HB 4014, Section 2, which provides that lots or parcels whose property lines are relocated by certain judgements remain lawful parcels – Support

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee:

My name is Jeremy Sherer and I am Chair of the Board of the Professional Land Surveyors of Oregon (PLSO). I have been surveying since 1992, and a licensed professional land surveyor since 2004, and currently reside in Springfield.

PLSO is an association representing licensed professional land surveyors in Oregon. Surveyors are licensed and regulated by the Oregon State Board of Examiners for Engineering & Land Surveying (OSBEELS). PLSO has more than 600 members across the state, including both public employees and private sector professional surveyors. PLSO is affiliated with the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS), which represents surveyors nationally.

The Professional Land Surveyors of Oregon support HB 4014, Section 2, which provides that lots or parcels whose property lines are relocated by certain judgements remain lawful parcels.

Professional Land Surveyors provide services that locate or relocate property boundaries as well as providing land use planning services. Landowners are often dismayed and confused by the complexity and seemingly contradictory laws surrounding land use and real property. Licensed Professional Land Surveyors work with landowners, real property and land use attorneys, as well as local planning and surveying officials to reconcile these often-competing forces by advocating for clients in local land use Hearings and as expert or fact witness in Courts of Law.

HB 4014, Section 2 is common sense. The professional Land Surveyors of Oregon supports this legislation because it will bring clarity and stability to our cadastral and land use system by removing some of the confusion and contradiction between land use and real property.

If you have any questions or require anything additional from us, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeremy A. Sherer, Chair Professional Land Surveyors of Oregon