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West Valley Housing Authority

14 FEBRUARY 2020

Housing Authorities of Oregon

To: Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capitol
Construction

RE: Support for \$20M in Lottery Backed Bonds for Preservation of Affordable
Housing

Co-Chair Holvey, Co-Chair Girod, Members of the Committee,

The 22 agencies of the Housing Authorities of Oregon (HAO) are committed to providing safe and affordable housing to Oregonians facing income, disability or other life challenges.

We believe our children, seniors, and people with disabilities need a place to call home in order to be healthy and successful in life. Currently, we are at risk of decreasing the number of homes affordable to people with low incomes. Across the state thousands of people with extremely low incomes live in homes with federal rent subsidies and in manufactured home parks which could soon be converted to market rate.

Allocation of Lottery Backed Bonds will allow the ongoing work of many partners in communities across the state to continue their track record of success in helping families, seniors, and people with disabilities who are living on very low incomes stay in their homes and in their communities.

We cannot afford to lose this precious resource and risk displacement of our neighbors. This proven public-private partnership can save these homes and leverage private and federal resources with the investment of Lottery Backed Bonds.

We urge your support for this investment that will ensure our most vulnerable community members continue to have a safe, stable, affordable place to call home.

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14 February 2019

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The Housing Authorities of Oregon are the largest providers of affordable housing in the state of Oregon. There are 22 Housing Authorities that serve all 36 counties. Our goal is to provide a safe, affordable place for Oregonians with low incomes to call home. The majority of people who we house are seniors or people experiencing disabilities on a fixed income that is 30% of median income or below.

We ask for your support in meeting the affordable housing needs in our state..

Please allocate \$50M in G.O. bonds for the LIFT Housing Program

Housing Authorities have already used this program to build affordable housing in diverse regions of the state. The LIFT program has become the most important resource to develop the new, multi-family housing we need to provide homes for thousands of rent-burdened Oregonians throughout the state.

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