Chair Williams and Members of the Committee,

My name is Susan Nackoney I am an organic farm owner in the Portland metro area. I am writing to request your support for HB 2292.

HB 2292 supports the expansion of Double Up Food Bucks Oregon, a SNAP incentive program with a proven record of success. For every dollar spent on SNAP-eligible foods at participating farmers markets, farm share programs, and grocery stores across the state, shoppers will receive a dollar to spend on Oregon-grown fruits and vegetables.

This program is important to me because I see DUFB in use at markets where I vend. I have been a vendor at markets that accept DUFB and those who do not, and I can see that DUFB are supporting people who would otherwise not have an opportunity to buy fresh, in-season, local food. Also as a vendor this is an important revenue stream for me. Thank you for the consideration and for your service.

Sincerely, Susan Nackoney Portland, OR