

March 17, 2021

House Committee on Human Services  
900 Court St. NE  
Salem, Oregon 97301

**Re: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 2348**

Chair Williams, Vice-Chair Leif, Vice-Chair Ruiz, and Members of the Committee,

As a parent, I support HB 2348. Our family choose a plant-based diet. Evidence shows it is both a nutritionally and an environmentally intelligent choice. When my partner gave birth to our child, plant-based options were minimally provided. The three food venders provided: pizza, burgers, and Chinese food. While I recognize that those types of food sources are preferred by the majority of people, providing alternative plant-based options gives everyone an opportunity to choose a healthy alternative. Hospitals, long-term care facilities, and prisons each operate under values and laws intended to promote the care and well-being of people in their charge. HB 2348 advances those goals.

For these reasons, I urge you to support HB 2348.

Sincerely,

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