

Dear Oregon Lawmakers,

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE know that our city of Salem community, as well as other communities in Oregon who are privileged to have an independent movie theatre in operation, are incredible for the outstanding small-business independent theaters in our neighborhoods.

Theatres such as Salem Cinemas make it possible to enjoy movies from around our country and our world that we would otherwise probably not ever get to see. These independent films and the filmmakers that are a part of bringing these movies to our towns are glimpses into humanity and the many different facets of what it means to be in relationship with each other and the world around us.

During a time such as this last year of pandemic, this window into our humanity is needed for building strong communities more than ever before.

Please pass this bill to help alleviate the immense financial hardship that has wreaked havoc on Salem Cinemas as well as other independent film theaters.

Sincerely,

Nicole García