

Good afternoon Co-Chairs Johnson, Steiner-Hayward and Rayfield, and vice Co-Chairs Girod, Gomberg and Smith. My name is Alicia and I live in Multnomah in District 3. I am here today to request your support with HB 5011 Manufactured Home Purchase & Repair Fund included as one of the priorities in *The People's Budget*.

All of our families should be able to meet our basic needs, including a safe house to live in, water and electricity. Without these essential needs we are not able to work, prosper, feel safe, and as part of a strong community. These needs are essential regardless of the zip code you live in.

Repairs for manufactured homes are very expensive. Many times the unit is not well done and counts with unseal surfaces either around the frame of the doors or windows. When we need to repair a window, we face not only high fees for service, but we also discover that there are other necessary repairs due to the malfunction of a window! Walls have rotten. Many times we recur to temporary solutions but those do not function well. Repairs are partially done because we do not count with the money to do all that is necessary.

My children and I would benefit from a unit that is in good condition. We would count with better quality of life during the cold months. During the cold months you can hear the wind's whispering around the frame of the main door and windows and our electricity bills are pretty high. The cold wind penetrates through the frame of the windows and doors. We face the decision of cutting our consumption of fresh food and vegetables in order to be able to pay the electricity bills.

I appreciate your support with H B 5011 included as one of the priorities in *The People's Budget*. Thank you so much for your time.