

Members of the Committee,

In the Salem/Keizer area we have but one movie theater that features films you can't see at the big multiplexes. It's name is Salem Cinema. This local treasure has been a cultural touchstone for our community for many years and they are in need of assistance. We, the community members, have taken up collections via crowd-funding services. We've made short films asking for donations and promoting our beloved cinema. We've all bought extra popcorn. It's helping but it still isn't enough. Please join us in saving Salem Cinema, won't you?

We ask you to take under consideration:

Movie theaters face a long road to recovery without new film product and with capacity restrictions. Even with greater capacity allowances (50% and above), theaters will still be limited to roughly 25% capacity due to 6' social distancing requirements

Movie theaters were not included in the \$25 million that went to live performance venues last year

Thank you for reading my letter. I hope you are all safe and well during these strange times.

Warm Regards,
Paul Malone