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Dear Committee Member,

As an Oregon resident who cares deeply about those struggling to build their family in our state, and am trying to build one myself with fertility issues, I strongly urge you to pass the infertility insurance bill before you, which will help Oregonians build their families when faced with cancer or other conditions that can cause infertility. Oregon families need your support now.

I need your support, along with the 1 in 8 couples in our state living with the disease of infertility and the thousands of Oregonians diagnosed with cancer during their reproductive years.

I have had 7 miscarriages over the last nine years. My husband and I own a business here in Portland, OR and no independent insurance in OR covers fertility treatments. We are considering moving to a state that provides fertility treatment for independent coverage, but really don't want to move for this reason. If not, we have to pay everything out of pocket, and have so thus far. I am praying this passes soon.

It is time for Oregon to update its insurance laws to include coverage for the standard of care for patients with infertility and those diagnosed with cancer or other conditions that may cause infertility.

By passing this pro-family legislation, Oregon will join 19 other states across the nation that help hardworking families get access to medically necessary treatments while only minimally impacting insurance premiums, if at all. States with IVF insurance have lower rates of multiple births than states without IVF coverage, and lowering multiple births decreases overall health care costs and results in healthier babies and healthier moms.

Please support Oregon families by moving this pro-family bill forward.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Lizy

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