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On Behalf Of:

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I have already written a testimony to oppose SB 1589, but I am also writing to oppose SB 1589 for my kids. They are currently in school getting an education and cannot do it themselves. They are 13 & 15 they have grown up on the Willamette River. Their Nana and Papa built the house they now live in. They have learned to Wakeboard, waterski and wake surf. They have been through a lot these last few years. They lost both their Nana and Papa to cancer, had to deal with the schools shutting down because of Covid and now they are fearful that their summer fun will be taken away from them. We know first hand that the bank erosion is not due to heavy wakeboard boats. Most of it has to do with the rise and fall of the river levels during the summer. We have proof of this. We were just down at our dock last week and took pictures we have lost bank due to last month record rainfall. It is the home owners responsibility to do what they need to do to preserve the bank. We pay high taxes to live there and if you take this away from us it ruins it for everyone. Especially the homeowners who pay a lot of money to live on the Willamette. The river can be shared by all there just needs to be more education. We have taken the tests necessary to make sure our boat is towing approved and we have out boaters and paddleboard license.

This river is my kids life, its out life. Please don't take this away from us. I have lived on the river for 40 years. I first hand have experienced it all. Please listen to some of the people who have lived here all their lives not people who just want these heavy boats banned.

Thank you

Dylan and Nixon Kinnaman