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On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	House Committee On Rules
Measure:	HCR8

I am writing in support of HCR 8. As the guardian of several rescued shelter dogs and cats, I can testify to the sense of joy and wellbeing that these animals bring to me and to the other Oregonians that they meet. Animal companions are widely known to be incredibly helpful to the elderly in maintaining a sense of joy and purpose. Caring for shelter dogs and cats teaches our children to be empathetic and caring about animals and others. HCR 8 would honor traits in shelter dogs and cats that many Oregonians share, including resilience, endurance, diversity, strength and hope. Please pass HCR 8 and help bring the plight of shelter dogs and cats to the attention of all Oregonians. It will be a blessing to all of us. Thank you.