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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and
Water

Measure: HB2616

To the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water,

I am writing in support of HB 2616 to increase access to raw milk and other raw milk products in Oregon. As a nutritional therapy practitioner working to help families in Oregon, and beyond, regain their health through safe foods, with their complete nutrition bioavailable, the passage of this bill benefits my community.

Raw milk has a good track record for safety and I support legislation that continues requiring safe production, while increasing access to both raw milk and other raw dairy products - especially in local areas and shops where people don't need to have a car to pick up raw dairy products.

As a Oregonian who cares deeply about our local and regional food access and security, this bill can also support small dairies who produce raw milk for pasteurization to stay in business. The dwindling number of Oregon dairies is a growing concerns, especially with the food scarcity issues we've face over the past three years through slowdowns and shutdowns in larger and conglomerate operations. As our climate and environment is changing, supporting local food security is more critical than ever.

Thank you for your consideration.

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