Submitter: Lin Bernhardt

On Behalf Of: Shady Grove Farm

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HJR5

Honorable Committee Members;

We strongly OPPOSE H.J.R. 5 and ask you to VOTE NO for the following reasons:

- Voters and state regulators, not special interest groups, should call the shots (no pun intended) on wildlife management. These special interests do not represent the majority of Oregon citizens.
- Non-consumptive uses should not take a back seat to trophy hunters and poachers (who could use a constitutional amendment as justification).
- Elevating hunting, trapping, and fishing above other wildlife activities is wrong. HJ5 would weaken the ability of state agencies to manage and regulate. The opportunity to engage in hunting, trapping, and fishing in Oregon exists is extended by conditional licenses to engage in these activities, and that license can be suspended or revoked if people break the applicable laws. Creating a constitutional right to engage in these activities would raise questions about the legality of hunting licenses and permits.

PLEASE VOTE NO ON HJR 5. Lynn Hill and Lin Bernhardt Shady Grove Farm Talent