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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Early Childhood and Human Services

Measure: HB2457

Chair Reynolds, Vice Chairs Nguyen and Scharf, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Carla Thaler. I am a farmer and resident in McMinnville. I am writing to request your support for HB 2728.

HB 2728 supports the expansion of Double Up Food Bucks Oregon, a SNAP matching program with a proven record of success. For every dollar spent on SNAP-eligible foods at participating farmers markets, farm stands, CSA programs, and grocery stores across the state, shoppers will receive an additional dollar to spend on Oregon-grown fruits and vegetables.

This program is important to me because I am a user of the program. Each week I support local farmers and my own health by taking advantage of the DUFEB program. Since I primarily raise pastured meats these days I appreciate the access to fresh produce that I am not growing for myself.

Thank you for the consideration and for your service.

Carla Thaler

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