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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Human Services

Measure: SB610

I urge the passage of SB610.

This establishes 'Food for All Oregonians Program' within 'Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program' to provide nutrition assistance to residents of this state who would qualify for federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program but for immigration status.

My church has been sponsoring an immigrant family from El Salvador and while they work for Gleaners in our city of Corvallis, they need access to foods not grown here to supplement the diets of a family of 5 with 3 school students.

This Bill requires Department of Human Services to convene advisory group to recommend metrics to evaluate success of department in treating all applicants for and recipients of public assistance in welcoming manner and with respect, courtesy, fairness and dignity.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

I also serve food for the unhoused in Corvallis bi-weekly and know some of them would benefit from this program.

Thank you for your consideration

warmly

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