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Re: Yes to HB 2957, Dreamers Belong Act.

Chair, Vice Chairs and Members of the Committee,

My name is Ivan Hernandez and I am a Washington County resident in Oregon. I am writing in support of HB 2957, Dreamers Belong Act and I respectfully ask for your support on this bill; HB 2957.

I am an Oregon Dreamer. Just like your sons and daughters. I have, just like you, dreams or seeing a prosper Oregon. I am that child that had to move homes, far to an unknown place where even the language was unknown to me. I had no say but made the best of the circumstance. I was vetted to prove that I am the first-class citizen type and get checked biyearly just to prove that I am still a first-class citizen, but without citizenship.

I have made Oregon a better place than how I found it, just like my parents taught me to do. Let's invest in Oregon and help those that didn't have a choice yet strive to make the best of the circumstances. We, just like you, your sons and daughters want to see a prosper Oregon, please support for HB 2957, Dreamers Belong Act so we can do that together.

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