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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

I urge Oregon legislators to support SB 85 and the Factory Farm Moratorium Bill, HB 2667. Factory farms are a bad idea for many reasons:

1. Animal agriculture is the leading cause of climate change.
2. In addition to contributing to climate change, factory farms cause serious water and air pollution (e.g., foul smells)
3. Factory farms cause unspeakable cruelty to animals. Cruelty causes animal to secrete toxins into their blood and lymphatic system, which ends up in their body's cells. When humans eat the animals, we ingest those toxins into our own bodies. This ingestion is bad for human health, and is also killing our souls.
4. Factory farms make it harder for small family farms to survive.

Please support both SB 85 and HB 2667.

Note: On February 7, 2023, I organized and hosted a webinar entitled "The Food - Climate Connection." Below are the links to the video recordings of this webinar, which explains the relationship of animal agriculture to climate change. I also included links to two short videos that also discuss the food - climate connection. I hope you will take the time to watch these important short films.

Sailesh Rao's 4-minute, 39-second video that explains the food-climate relationship:
<https://www.facebook.com/unitedinheart/videos/576918917087233>

Gerard Bisshop, former principal scientist of the State of Queensland, Australia explaining the contribution to global warming from animal agriculture:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rYjVNRmqu4Q&list=PLYRhGzlaehcVN8OIXo7P984n6QaSiCgYq>

The Food - Climate Connection Webinar, Part 1 - The presentations:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jHIEQaPdNjU>

The Food - Climate Connection Webinar, Part 2 - Q&A and discussion:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6-INB-GBDc8&t=1s>