

Submitter: Avery Thompson

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

Dear Chair Golden, and Members of the Senate Natural Resources Committee,

My name is Avery Thompson and I live in Portland, Oregon.

I am writing to you today in support of a factory farm moratorium in Oregon. We must take action to halt the expansion of factory farming in our state until we have protections in place for the environment, animal welfare, family farms, and frontline communities.

As a professional working in the agricultural industry, with extensive knowledge of veterinary medicine, I can say with confidence that factory farms are NOT a healthy environment for livestock. By supporting small farms over factory farms, we are supporting healthy livestock husbandry and environmentally friendly farming practices.

I urge you to vote for SB 85 in the 2023 Legislative Session to protect our small and midsized socially and ecologically responsible family farms in Oregon.

Sincerely,

Avery Thompson

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