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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

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

My name is Katie Geiser and I live in Eugene, OR.

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.

Please consider that:

- This scale of industrial production takes more than its fair share of water resources.
  - We envision Oregon as a place where small family farms enhance rural economic stability and provide the basis for thriving and vibrant rural communities.
  - Oregonians know that a healthy food system is integral to the wellbeing of our communities, our agriculture, and our state.
- Oregonians want community-based agriculture that delivers safe food to all Oregonians.

I strongly 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,

Katie Geiser

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