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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Early Childhood and Human Services

Measure: HB2869

Dear Chair Reynolds, Vice-Chairs Nguyen, Scharf and Members of the House Committee On Early Childhood and Human Services,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2869 with the -2 Amendments to establish a workgroup that will develop the framework for a Multi-Sector Plan for Aging for an Age-Friendly Oregon.

As a 68 year old active volunteer and advocate primarily focussed on aging issues, needs and services for Oregonians, I understand the critical need for this legislative step, personally and for Oregon's future. Change is coming and Oregon's infrastructure and systems will need to be ready. By 2034, more Oregonian's will be 65, than under 18.

We need HB 2869-2 to establish a framework and foundation for a secure and vital future for Oregon and for all Oregonians.

Thank you for your consideration and please pass HB 2869-2.

Respectfully,

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