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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB1051

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Housing and Development on SB 1051:

Allowing private land owners to request expansions to UGBs and ignoring land use laws should be opposed by the Committee. Oregon needs more affordable housing but this bill would create more urban sprawl, and not put families who need housing closer to schools, parks, shops and transportation.

SB 1051 undermines good planning . Cities and counties have created urban reserves and passing this bill would demonstrate that you believe plans made by cities and counties should be overruled/overrun. SB 1501 is contrary to urban reserve provisions in HB 2001 which was just passed by a large and bi-partisan margin of the House. Why oppose it with SB 1501, which would undermine UGBs that were altered by 35 cities between 2016 - 2021 to accommodate housing needs? Why overturn a process that has already planned for urban services with a bill that permits private land owners to override/overrule/overrun a public planning process?

Please oppose SB 1051. Vote against enabling sprawl. Focus on housing for middle and lower income families—a process that already exists. Do not act to undermine HB 2001 that has already been approved by your Senate and House colleagues, a bill which assures Oregon Housing needs will be thoughtfully carried out.

Please oppose SB 1051.

Carol Doty