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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2002

RE: HB 2002

As a long time member of Salem Mennonite Church I strongly support SB 2002 which would guarantee basic gender affirming health care in Oregon. Trans young people can be anyone and everyone's kids but they are the especially vulnerable and usually suffer as children and young people, often from anxiety, depression and suicidal tendencies. It is not only in their interest but in society's interest that they are taken seriously, respected and cared for socially, emotionally and physically (as it is with all children and young people). Every young person who avoids anxiety, depression and suicidal tendencies is a win for all of us. Please support HB 2002 and move it out of committee with a do-pass recommendation.

Thank you for your service,
Sarah Deumling