Submitter: Gabriel Starr

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB611

Dear Oregon Legislative Assembly,

My name is Gabriel Starr, I live in Turner Oregon where for the past 5 years I have owned a duplex to rent. I am a regular guy who works a 9 to 5. My duplex is just a side project that I enjoy. It is a big responsibility to provide a good home for people at an affordable price and one I do not take lightly.

I am strongly opposed to Senate Bill 611. It would greatly debilitate property owners ability to keep up with inflation, offset maintenance and improvement costs and in the long run make it nearly impossible to make owning property feasible.

Places with tight rent control laws end up having stagnant real estate markets and housing instability. Homes & Buildings with much needed maintenance continue to go without resulting in run down neighborhoods. Dilapidated buildings and homes only make the issue worse as people prefer to live somewhere else and don't purchase housing for themselves. Rent control doesn't just hurt landlords but hurts the whole community by lowering property values and discouraging businesses and families alike from living there.

Senate Bill 611 does not bring prosperity to the people of this great state. It creates many more problems than it solves. Say no to Senate Bill 611.

Thank you, Gabriel