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Dear Members of the House Committee on Behavioral Health and Health Care,

My name is Leticia Longoria-Navarro, Executive Director of The Pathfinder Network, an addiction recovery provider based in Portland. Our organization has been actively involved and working closely with various stakeholders to advance and improve the implementation of Measure 110.

Though the initial rollout of Measure 110 faced significant challenges, it is now delivering essential services to Oregonians in need. More than 60,000 individuals have received services, and \$302 million in funding has been allocated to providers across the state. This has resulted in the opening of new programs, sober housing, and expanded youth and adult services.

But there is still work to be done. HB 2513 addresses the core values essential to advancing and improving Measure 110. It emphasizes timely and efficient funding, accessibility to substance use treatment services, and a commitment to evidence-based public health approaches. Furthermore, the bill highlights the importance of reducing disparities and increasing culturally sound services for Oregon's Black and brown communities.

HB 2513 will improve the effectiveness, transparency, and accountability of the Oregon Health Authority's administration of Measure 110, consolidate Oregon's substance use hotlines, and enhance the Oregon Accountability Council's grant-making processes. By supporting HB 2513, we can ensure the continued success and long-term viability of Measure 110 funding for the benefit of all Oregonians.

Thank you for your time and commitment to ensuring more Oregonians have access to lifesaving care through Measure 110.

Here at The Pathfinder Network, we have been able significantly expand peer support recovery services in Multhomah, Marion, and Jackson counties. Since the implementation of M110 funding, we have been able to serve close to 1,000 Oregonians and are serving hundreds of community members each month with needed services that remove barriers and increase access to services and supports that are saving lives, keeping families together and ensuring our communities can thrive.

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