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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure: HB3202

"To the Oregon Legislature:

Last month I drove to central Oregon just to be able to see a clear night sky and stars. My grandkids saw the Milky Way for the first time. When I was a boy I could see it from my home in the suburbs. No more.

I am writing to urge your support of HB 3202, in order to protect our ecosystem against the damages caused by light pollution.

Many other states have taken such steps already. Light pollution can disrupt carefully choreographed ecosystems including impacting animals' feeding habits, migration, and predator/prey relationships, and can have far-reaching effects on human health as well.

It is easier to protect Oregon's night skies while we still have them than to try to restore them once they are gone.

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