



Multnomah Arts Center

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To Whom It May Concern:

The board of the Multnomah Arts Center Association, the friends group supporting the Multnomah Arts Center, a part of Portland Parks and Recreation, ask you to support board HB 3515.

This bill will allow larger cities to form parks districts to provide a stable funding source for our beloved parks system with all the benefits of providing healthful activities, urban open spaces, and opportunities to gather and strengthen our communities.

This is our best legislative chance to change the funding paradigm of competing with other City bureaus for limited general fund dollars. Portlanders love their parks and programs. During Covid tough financial times, they demonstrated this by voting to tax themselves to provide stop-gap funds to re-open recreation centers and support programs after closure.

Surely our community and others will benefit from a stable source of funds. We ask you to take advantage of this opportunity and vote in favor of HB 3515.

Thank you.

With regards,

Gordon Campbell
MACA Board Chair

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