

Chairs Steiner and Sanchez; Vice Chairs Girod, Gomberg and Smith; Members of the Committee: My name is Eduardo Melendrez and I live in Ontario Oregon. I'd like to take a moment to thank Representative Mark Owens who has made this dream a reality. I am here today in support of House Bill 2410, I have lived in the area over 20 years and know support for the Ontario Aquatic Center will greatly benefit our communities' health and bring hope. Ontario Recreation Leadership have done great work to bring the splash pad and improve many of the facilities so support from this bill would be the final push we need to complete our vision of reopening the Ontario Aquatic Center. Too many youth have little access to free or low cost meaningful activities. This program would improve access to healthy physical activities, safe community space, social services, and economic vitality. Seeing the facility closed down hurts our community and with support from you we can fill the void we have right in the middle of our city. With that I hope you support the passing of House Bill 2410 and bring life back to our community. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Eduardo Melendrez