Submitter: Sylla McClellan On Behalf Of: Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital Construction Measure: HB5201 February 16, 2024 Representative Lucetta Elmer District 24 900 Court St. NE, H-374 Salem, OR 97301

Dear Representative Elmer,

I am reaching out to you today to seek your support for HB 5201. The City of McMinnville is seeking a \$4,000,000 direct allocation to help with the Third Street Improvement Project. This project will fix deteriorated downtown infrastructure that has led to accessibility and safety issues and will define the character for the next generation.

As you know, Third Street is filled with small business who help make McMinnville the destination that it has become. However, we are facing big issues with our hardscape and infrastructure that surrounds us, including deteriorating sidewalks, dying trees, ineffective drainage of storm water and lack of public restrooms. As a Third Street business and property owner, like you, I urge you to support HB 5201.

We've been working hard for a long time to develop a plan that allows for improvements that benefit everyone and will last several generations. Please help us get to the next step in the process so that we can see it happen sooner rather than later.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Sylla McClellan

Third Street Books, owner

320 NE Third St and 512 NE Third Street, building owner