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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,

As a McMinnville property owner, a business owner, and resident of Yamhill County, I would like to communicate my 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. It will help define define the character of downtown McMinnville for many generations.

McMinnville has big city challenges but lacks access to big city resources. As a city of 35,000 people, we are too small to be eligible for federal programs but too big to be considered rural. We end up trying to compete with large urban centers for resources.

McMinnville falls through the cracks due to constraints imposed by restrictive criteria based on population size and proximity to urban centers. We need your help to deliver solutions to the McMinnville community. We appreciate your support for the City of McMinnville's Third Street Improvement Project.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

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