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To: State of Oregon Senators and Representatives

Three years ago I moved from Seattle to Hillsboro, Oregon. I am excited to live in the thriving city with good employment opportunities, businesses that are close by, and excellent medical care.

I now understand that the Grand Design agreement of 2016 would allow for more needed housing, job growth and more retail options, which would continue to solid opportunities for residents of Hillsboro. I am alarmed that there is now the possibility that there is an attempt to muddy the water of HB 1293 and require a review of the agreement. This is an attempt to curtail UBG already agreed to, and instead of progress in my community as great as it is, would put the entire process of UBG into litigation.

I especially do not like my residence to be impacted by those who do not live in Hillsboro and have goals that are in opposition to what Hillsboro is. If growth is stopped because of dissenting voices that do not even have residence here, it will be tragic. Growth will always happen—if not here, then somewhere else.

I support amendment 1 to HB 4026, which would make it clear that the 2016 agreement would be adhered to and Hillsboro can continue to be a vibrant community.

Sincerely,

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