

CITY OF REDMOND Office of the Mayor

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House Higher Education Committee Oregon State Legislature 900 Court St NE Salem, OR 97301

RE: Support for the Sustainable City Year Program at the University of Oregon

Dear Members of the House Higher Education Committee,

On behalf of the Redmond City Council, Redmond offers its support for the Sustainable City Year Program (SCYP) at the University of Oregon.

Redmond participated in this program back in 2014/2015. The SCYP staff and students brought fresh perspectives, innovative policy solutions, and an energized approach to addressing community challenges. Furthermore, the interdisciplinary approach of SCYP allowed us to explore policy solutions that would not have been possible within the constraints of our day-to-day operations.

We encourage the committee to support funding for the SCYP to ensure more Oregon communities can benefit from its positive impacts.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Edward Fitch Mayor Redmond, Oregon