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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2979

Dear Co-Chair Helm, Co-Chair Owens, and members of the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Wildfire:

I am writing to urge your support for HB 2979 providing funding for Oregon's Farmer/Rancher Disaster Resilience Grants which support Oregon's small and underserved producers to be more resilient to climate impacts such as heat, smoke, and drought for projects such as irrigation efficiency, soil health, shading and cooling, and evacuation trailers.

These grants are a great alternative to traditional disaster relief funding – they have given farmers the resources to maintain their crops and livestock through extreme weather events, rather than being compensated after they lose them.

Please support HB 2979 to renew funding for this valuable program.

Thank you,

Sam Mize

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