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House Committee on Housing and Homelessness Oregon Legislature 900 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301

RE: Testimony in Support of HB 3054: Rent Stabilization for Manufactured Home Parks

Chair Marsh, Vice-Chairs Andersen & Breese-Iverson, and members of the House Housing and Homelessness Committee,

I am pleased to submit testimony in support of HB 3054 - a rent stabilization bill that will bring economic relief to thousands of Oregon renters and prevent many Oregonians from losing their houses and adding to our homelessness crisis.

We know we need to build more housing here in Oregon, and we've invested millions to meet our housing supply needs. We also know that as we make progress on our supply goals, the cost of living remains high, with skyrocketing rents displacing Oregon families, kids, and low-income elders. Unfortunately, there is a <u>direct relationship between rising rents and rising homelessness</u>. If we don't get these rising rents stabilized, more people will end up experiencing homelessness.

Rent stabilization and this bill, HB 3054, can prevent families from experiencing homelessness and choosing between prescription medications and keeping a roof over their heads. This bill limits rent increases for renters in manufactured home parks and marinas to increases in the Consumer Price Index. HB 3054 will protect renters living in home parks trying to make ends meet.

This bill will bring housing and economic stability to tens of thousands of Oregonians at a time when we need to keep people housed more than ever. We don't need an "either-or" approach – we can protect Oregonians from unreasonable rent increases and fix our housing supply crisis.

Please vote yes on HB 3054 and pass it out of your committee.

Sincerely,

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