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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-Chairs and Members of the House of Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water -

I regularly visit farmer's markets in the Portland metro area, and in the near future I hope to be a vendor as I just became a first time farmer. I am writing to strongly support HB 2979. Farmer's markets remain a consistently needed presence in our communities for the farmers and vendors who rely on this income, the community members who need fresh yet low-cost foods, and those who want to support our local economy. These markets create and maintain a local economy while literally feeding its citizens.

As our climate changes the land we work and our ability to grow foods, this bill helps support farmers and community members through these changing, unstable times.

Please continue to support this bill to support our communities.

Thank you, Alexis