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On Behalf Of: Pollinators and Native Plant Society South Coast

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural

Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or

Topic:

HB3173

February 3, 2025

RE: Oregon Flora Database Support of HB 3173

To whom it may concern:

I am a gardener and volunteer for Native plant restoration on the South Coast of Oregon.

I have used Oregon Flora often to learn about specific plants and to recommend plants to others. I recently joined the local chapter of the Native Plant Society of Oregon. We wanted to offer a plant for our region to encourage home Gardners and landscapers to include more native plants. The Oregon Flora database is our essential plant selection tool to build a diverse list of ground covers, shrubs, and trees that are fire resistant and drought tolerant. We depend on Oregon Flora to make well informed choices and increase our knowledge of Native Plants.

Please support Oregon Flora Database so that gardeners and community developers may continue to harness the valuable plant information that improves and protects all landscapes.

Sincerely,

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