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I support HB 3173 establishing The OregonFlora Program at Oregon State University. OregonFlora is a vital effort to combat biodiversity loss under climate change. To fully value and protect our iconic mountain, forest, savannah, and prairie ecosystems, we need to know which plants grow in Oregon. Not only does OregonFlora work to provide that vital information, they also make botanizing widely available to the public through their online resources. HB 3173 will provide much needed funding for these efforts that benefit Oregon residents and the Pacific Northwest more broadly.

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