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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2979

I write in strong support of HB 2979. Passage of this bill will provide meaningful support for small farms and food producers across the state of Oregon through meaningful grants, including the Food Hub Worker Safety and Infrastructure Grant, Disaster Resilience for Farmers and Ranchers Grants, and the Farmers Market Fund Growth Grants. At a time when our food system is particularly vulnerable and hunger among Oregonians is at levels not seen since the Great Depression, it is vital that we continue to invest in our farms and ranches, and the markets and infrastructure that help them stay in business.