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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural  
Resources, and Water

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3173

I strongly support the passage of HB 3173. I am an Oregon Naturalist who assists the Native Plants Society of Oregon with plant identifications in the application iNaturalist. I rely on the OregonFlora website to assist with making these identifications. I'm also a Master Melittologist working to investigate and associate the native bees of Oregon with the flowers they depend on for survival for the Oregon Bee Atlas. The OregonFlora website is an incredibly valuable resource for plant identification for a variety of users including those working in Natural Resource positions, researchers, students, community scientists, etc. I urge you to vote to secure funding to ensure this resource remains up-to-date and relevant to the critical environmental work of so many in our state.

Thank you!