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Hello, my name is Polly Robbins. I have been an Oregon resident for 30+ years, after finishing my studies in another state. I moved here, planning to make a career as a set designer in theater, working locally and nationally. As my family grew, I needed to stay closer to home to raise my children in Portland. I was able to find local work that drew on my training, by working in stop motion animation, and more recently in live-action tv/film work. During my career in Portland, I have worked on 5 tv shows, 3 feature films and one short film. I hope to work on many more. I am a union proud member of IATSE local 488. I strongly support the increased budget of \$28m in order to attract more film work to Oregon. We are all aware of the devastation that the forest fires have had in LA. Currently (and understandably) there is a push to create more tv and film work down there, as part of supporting the community while it is recovering. While I understand the need for supporting the tv/film industry down there, there are thousands of us in the industry up here whose livelihoods depend on a thriving film industry right here, in Oregon. Please pass this important funding that will help attract more film work to Oregon!