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STATE REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 10



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Chair Tran, Vice-Chairs Grayber and Lewis, Members of the Committee,

As State Representative for House District 10, I am acutely familiar with the threats wildfire and seismic events pose to Oregon.

In 2020, the Echo Mountain Complex fires devastated my community and demonstrated just how under-prepared Oregon was, and is, to the ever-increasing risk of future natural disasters.

Between my own experience with wildfire and the looming threat of a Cascadia Subduction Zone Earthquake, I have been continually driven to ensure that those I represent have the resources they will need to survive the devastating circumstances Oregonians will be inevitably faced with.

CORE3 may not be in my house district, but it will be critical to the wellbeing of my constituency when a major disaster strikes.

As others have provided to the record, the Redmond Airport will be the critical location for major recovery operations by FEMA and our state desperately needs a facility like CORE3 to manage the aftermath of large-scale events and ensure continuity of governance functions when disaster strikes.

I understand the pressing needs to combat our housing, behavioral health, and cost of living crises Oregonians are experiencing right now. But I also understand that comprehensive statewide resilience cannot be an afterthought of this legislative assembly.

CORE3 represents a major step forward in preparing Oregonians for the worst-case scenario, and we simply cannot wait until the inevitable occurs to take action.

I urge this committee's support of HB 3084.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Gomberg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Representative David Gomberg
Oregon House District 10

