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While I am strongly in favor of the creation of more middle housing in Oregon, I cannot support HB 2138 until Section 22(1)(f) is removed from the bill's text. As written, middle or affordable housing is not required as a condition for removing a demolition review process, which does not contribute to the stated goals of this proposed legislation. Furthermore, it has been demonstrated time and again that historic buildings can be an effective part of solving the housing crisis through processes like adaptive reuse and the addition of ADUs; important cultural resources can coexist with increased development, accessibility, and density.