

Submitter: Mary Blake

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2679

Smiles, Dear Friends,

My name is Mary Blake. I've been a resident of Oregon for 51yrs. During that time I have served as a dedicated public servant as the Aquatic Director for the Portland Bureau of Parks and Recreation (1974-84) and the General Manager of the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District (1984-2012). I am also a Master Gardener as well as a volunteer for the City of Seaside Parks Committee. PLEASE, show your leadership in support of HB 2679 - Pollinator and Wildlife Protection!

The most important issue we are all facing is the disconnect to our Mother Earth! Everything is connected, the web of life includes everything, humans as well as the more than human. The use of neonicotinoids by untrained users has a profound impact on our pollinators and waterways. Please join the other 12 states that already restrict the use on residential landscaping. Oregon MUST be part of this effort to protect our pollinator health and biodiversity!

Thank you for your action on HB 2679.

Live love laugh always Mary Blake, smiles