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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Veterans, Emergency

Management, Federal and World Affairs

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SCR23

or Topic:

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Veterans, Emergency Management, Federal and World Affairs,

Our household strongly supports SCR 23, which establishes a sister state relationship between the Oregon and Cherkasy oblast.

We have been to Korsun-Shevchenkivskyi in Cherkasy Oblast many times, and trace part of our ancestry there. Although at the center of Ukraine, the region and its people share surprising similarities with Oregonians. The people are hard-working and excel in various forms of agriculture, and the region is covered is gently rolling hills, not unlike our Willamette Valley.

We believe that the formation of symbolic and cultural ties will improve Oregon's visibility on the world stage while building cultural understanding between two democratic and free societies.

Best regards,

Andrew Wodoslawsky