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On Behalf Of:  
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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3193

My name is Sarah Carolus. I live in NE Portland and am a member of the Sacred Organizing Coalition and Central Lutheran Church. I am writing in support of HB 3193, the Farmworkers Disaster Relief Fund.

Farmworkers in Oregon provide food for our tables. They contribute to Oregon's economy. Yet farmworkers often work in dangerous conditions. They are exposed to extreme heat, unusually dry weather and cold. They breath unhealthy air. Because farmworkers are lowly paid employees, they cannot afford to miss a day of work. They need to work in spite of dangerous weather conditions in order to provide for their families.

HB 3193 will give farmworkers a needed safety net. It will offer them temporary financial relief when they lose work because of unhealthy weather conditions. Again, I urge you to vote YES on HB 3193, to provide protections and support for our farmworkers in Oregon.

Thank you.