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I am alumni of oxford House Marshall Haven from 2017- 2018 in Salem, Oregon.

I am opposed to HB2239. I believe that the certification process and standards of Oxford House Incorporated should be held on equal footing as NARR certification. The value of the democratic, self supporting model of recovery housing, was crucial in laying the foundation for my future. I have successfully maintained sobriety since departing from my Oxford house, and currently work in the recovery community as a substance abuse clinician. As a result of my success in oxford house, I am able to give back to the community. I strongly encourage my clients to utilize oxford house as a resource when appropriate.