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Hello!

I'd like to write in support of Oregon Film - they're a prime example of government can help industry grow in Oregon. Our film office is one of the oldest in the country, and I think that's why we have such a long and successful history with filmmaking. Our office has been smart - they adjusted to the flight of production to Canada during the 90s and have been able to draw movies and tv back. They're communicative and responsive to the needs of local productions.

I've grown up in Oregon's film industry and seen the powerful effect that Oregon Film has - in 2001 I worked on 11 days (I was new.) In 2024 my team and I worked 20x that number! We do casting for movies and tv, and because of productions in Oregon, we're able to support our families and homes - as well as give back to the community with free talks to classes, technical help for local actors and support local theatre performances and comedy festivals.

Please keep Oregon Film going. They're crucial to bringing work to the state - I don't want to go back to 11 days a year (or move to LA. I really don't want that sun.)