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On Behalf Of:

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Transportation and Economic Development

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This letter is in support of Business Oregon and the multiple programs that support the business community in Oregon. At Chapul Farms, we have benefited from Business Oregon in the following ways:

- 1) Grant writing support for federal grants. To date, Chapul has benefited from more than \$4M in Federal grants, having received grant writing support from Business Oregon to successfully receive these awards.
- 2) Direct investment from ONAMI. Chapul Farms received an investment from ONAMI that helped secure matching funding from Federal grants, hire additional local staff, and support the growth of our company here in Oregon.
- 3) Other business resources. We have received financial guidance and introductions to other entities through staff at Business Oregon. One such example is facilitating the introduction to Steward Finance, who financed our acquisition of a 45k sqft brownfield site in McMinnville, Oregon.

Our company has grown steadily both in revenue and employees since moving to Oregon in 2019, and this growth would not have been possible without the assistance, both technical and financial, from the multiple programs at Business Oregon.

We fully encourage the continued support of Business Oregon.

Please contact us directly if there are any questions to the above, or if further testimony is requested.

Thanks,

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