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Members of the House Committee on Education

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## Letter of Support for HB 3360 – Investment in School Construction and Infrastructure

We are writing to express our support for **House Bill 3360**, which proposes using surplus corporate tax revenues to fund school construction, maintenance, and infrastructure improvements. As members of the construction trades specializing in commercial and public infrastructure projects, we have all seen firsthand the pressing need for upgrades and repairs in our state’s schools. This bill is a step in the right direction to ensure that Oregon’s students have safe, modern, and well-equipped learning environments.

Many of our school buildings are aging, overcrowded, and in dire need of maintenance. Unfortunately, funding shortfalls often force districts to delay critical repairs, leading to unsafe conditions that impact both students and staff. **HB 3360 provides a much-needed funding stream for school construction and maintenance, ensuring that all districts—especially those that struggle to pass bond measures—have access to resources for facility improvements.**

Our organizations collectively represent hundreds of construction contractor businesses and thousands of Oregon’s construction workers who work on public and private projects throughout the state.

From a contractor's perspective, **this bill also supports Oregon’s local economy** by creating job opportunities for skilled tradespeople, suppliers, and service providers. Investing in school infrastructure will generate significant economic benefits, as construction projects require labor, materials, and ongoing maintenance, supporting and developing our workforce.

By passing HB 3360, the Oregon Legislature has the opportunity to make a lasting impact on our school environment and educational infrastructure needs. We urge you to support this bill and help provide students with the safe, functional, and modern learning environments they deserve.



*UA Local 290 Plumbers & Steamfitters (UA 290), Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association (PMCA), Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors National Association (SMACNA), Ironworkers Local 29, Sheet Metal Workers 16, Associated Wall and Ceiling Contractors (AWCC), International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, National Electrical Contractors (NECA) and the Oregon State Association of Electrical Workers (OSAEW) comprised of all 7 of Oregon’s IBEW locals.*

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