Dear Members of the Oregon Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Wildlife,

I am writing to ask you to actively support the passage of Senate Bill 1131 to financially support the Chintimini Wildlife Center (CWC). CWC is a crucial part of the Corvallis community. Our natural areas and rich diversity of wildlife make life better for all the members of the community and surrounding counties. CWC's offers us the opportunity to learn about the world around us, encourages empathy and understanding, and helps to foster a higher quality of life. Their educational programs promote scientific understanding, critical thinking, problem-solving, and understanding of systems. They play a critical part in the vibrancy of our community, and the state of Oregon should invest in organizations that protect the world we live in. Please vote to approve this crucial funding.

Thank you, Allison McMurtrey Corvallis, OR