

Dear Esteemed Legislators,

My name is Machozi, I am a retired immigrant senior living in Clackamas. I came to Oregon many years ago to be with my family and have spent my life contributing in every way I could. Now in my old age, I face a daily struggle to afford food, medication, and basic necessities.

My income is very limited, and I do not qualify for federal food assistance due to my immigration status. There are days I must choose between filling my prescription and buying groceries. No senior should have to live like this, especially after a lifetime of service, love, and labor.

I am speaking up for myself and for other elders who are quietly suffering. SB 611 would make it possible for us to live our final years with dignity. Please show compassion for Oregon's immigrant seniors. Pass this bill so we can stop worrying about whether we can afford to eat. Let our golden years be peaceful, not filled with hunger.