

FAIR OAKS HOA

Senator Daniel Bonham 900 Court St. NE, S-323 Salem, OR 97301 <u>Sen.DanielBonham@oregonlegislature.gov</u> Representative Jeff Helfrich 900 Court St. NE, H-371 Salem, OR 97301 <u>Rep.JeffHelfrich@oregonlegislature.gov</u>

Dear Senator Bonham and Representative Helfrich,

On behalf of the Fair Oaks Homeowners Association (FOHA), I am writing to you to express our strong support for the City of Mosier's Capitol Construction request of \$2.5 million for the Mosier Center, a critical public safety facility and an economic hub for the community.

The FOHA has been committed to preserving the natural beauty of Mosier and to support community efforts to mitigate the increasing impact of climate change and wildfires in our area. The Mosier Creek fire of 2020 came very close to our homes and this experience has never left us. I can remember standing on the roof of my home, spraying water and watching the fire fighting efforts from both the land and the sky. It was an impressive effort, one that required State and local firefighters, volunteer support and a homebase to conduct response efforts.

The Mosier Center would provide local and regional support for firefighting efforts and a community base for information, education and volunteer support. Our community is small, but the need is growing and this center will create a valuable facility to enhance our community connectedness.

Please help us make the Mosier Center a reality for the safety of our residents and the vitality of our community.

Sincerely,

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On behalf of FOHA Homeowners:

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