Submitter: Teresa Tanner

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Human Services

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB611

Dear Chair and Members of the Senate Human Services Committee, My name is Anne Tanner and I am writing in strong support of SB 611, the Food For All Oregonians Program. As a resident of Benton County and a registered voter, I am deeply concerned about food insecurity among our immigrant neighbors who are currently excluded from SNAP benefits solely due to their immigration status. Access to nutritious food is a basic human right, and no one should go hungry because of their immigration status. The Food For All Oregonians Program would provide critical nutrition assistance to vulnerable community members under 26 and over 55 years old who would otherwise qualify for SNAP.

By passing SB 611, you will help ensure equitable access to food assistance, improve public health outcomes, and strengthen our communities. I urge you to vote YES on this important legislation.

Provide nutrition assistance to Oregon residents who would qualify for the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) but for their immigration status. Anne Tanner/ Benton County Resident