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On Behalf Of:

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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3372

Co-chairs Helm and Owens, Vice-Chair Finger McDonald and members of the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources and Water:

My name is Travis and I am a community member from Portland. I am writing today to support HB 3372. Currently in Oregon it is legal to water a ½ acre garden or use 5,000 gal/day for a commercial purpose, but neither of those apply to growing food and farm products for sale. Why is it legal to use the water for personal use, but a neighbor selling me a single zucchini from their garden would mean they were breaking the law?

I love going to my local Oregon City Farmers Market. I am hearing at this markets that farms are afraid to sell produce at the markets since they don't want to be shut down.

I think we should allow people to grow food or farm products for sale of every size farm. Please pass HB 3372.

Thank you,

Travis