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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1067

Dear Chair Sollman and Members of the Committee:

I SUPPORT SB 1067. The bill's purpose is to return authority over solid waste policy and practice to Salem and other cities in Marion County. That authority was taken away in the 1980s to direct all solid waste to the incinerator in Brooks. Since closure of the incinerator in December 2024, the need no longer exists for all solid waste in Marion County to be sent to one or more repositories.

Salem's Climate Action Plan focuses on solid waste policy and practice figures heavily in reducing our greenhouse gas emissions. The City must be granted complete authority over all aspects of solid waste policy and practice without interference from another unit of local government. I implore you to benefit the peoples of Salem, human and non-human alike (animal, plant, mineral), as well as our great state of Oregon, and respectfully request passage of SB 1067 from your committee.