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Chair Marsh House Committee on Housing and Homelessness

Dear Members of the House Committee on Education, Housing, and Homelessness,

I am writing in support of HB 3939, which would provide funding for the Adair Village Wastewater Infrastructure Project and allow for 800 new housing units in a growing Benton County community.

Corvallis and the greater Benton County face a significant housing shortage. Increasing housing availability in our surrounding communities will be impactful in supporting the Oregon State University community. The benefits of giving professors, advisors, administrators, and staff an opportunity to live near their place of employment is crucial to the longevity of their work.

This project will invite new families into the community, giving them the opportunities of home ownership and employment. It is critical that we look to cities – like Adair Village – to find the right spaces for sustainable housing development and growth.

I urge your support and yes vote on HB 3939.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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