Submitter: Jayden Bratcher

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital Construction

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB 5505

Dear Co-Chair Kate Lieber, Co-Chair Tawna Sanchez, and members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means,

My name is Chris Liddle. I am testifying in support of Portland State University's \$85 million request in Article – G Bonds for a new performing arts and culture center. I support PSU's proposal because of PSU's deep commitment to a successful downtown Portland.

PSU is a part of the lifeblood of downtown and has put forward a thoughtful, comprehensive proposal that will retain the continuity of the auditorium district, fully meet the future-oriented needs of the arts community—both local and national—and catalyze further development in the central city. This investment would not only boost Portland, but revenue would benefit the entire state.

I strongly urge you to support PSU's \$85 million Article-G Request. This funding is essential to ensuring the success of the new performing arts center and its ability to positively impact the cultural and economic landscape of Portland and the state of Oregon for generations to come.

Thank you for your service and thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely, Chris Liddle