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On Behalf Of:

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One more support of yes and this time it's for the farms. Again, small farms is what makes Oregon so amazing and healthy. Food from a close vicinity is very, very important with our food system. Local food is very important and climate change is not making it easy to obtain that very important part of my daily life.

Vote Yes on HB 2979!

your support of HB 2979, which provides funding for Oregon's farmers, ranchers, food hubs, and farmers markets.

Oregon's small farms and ranches, and the outlets where they market their products, are increasingly threatened by extreme weather events and wildfires. Supporting the Food Systems Resilience Programs in HB 2979 means investing in climate resilience, disaster preparedness, conservation and stewardship, rural economic development, and thriving small businesses all over our state. These investments benefit not just farmers and local food outlets but entire communities by fostering access to healthy, local food, creating hubs for community engagement and expanding nutrition incentive programs.

Oregonians like myself depend on thriving farm workers and farms that are both small and medium in our state and HB 2979 and the Farm Worker Justice package reflects Oregonian values.

Thank you for what I hope will be a an easy yes to all of it!