

Joint Subcommittee on Capital Construction
Oregon State Capitol 900 Court St NE
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Nosse, and Members of the Subcommittee on Capital Construction,

As a lifelong Oregonian and a proud member of the Portland State University Alumni Relations Committee, I'm writing to express my strong support for the authorization of \$85 million in Article-G Bonds to support the development of the Performing Arts + Culture Center (PACC) as part of PSU's Capital Construction Bond Request.

This project reflects more than just bricks and mortar—it represents a shared commitment to the future of downtown Portland, to the vibrancy of Oregon's arts and education communities, and to the students and families who call this state home.

The City of Portland has already taken a bold step by committing to build a new, state-of-the-art venue ahead of much-needed renovations to the aging Keller Auditorium. Placing this new center on the PSU campus offers a unique chance to transform the area into a dynamic hub for culture, learning, and community connection.

The PACC will make a lasting difference by:

- Reinvigorating downtown as a welcoming destination for Oregonians and visitors alike;
- Providing performance and learning space for PSU students and K-12 learners across the state;
- Expanding access to the arts for all, especially historically underserved audiences;
- Supporting thousands of jobs in both construction and the cultural sector;
- Maximizing one of the last major development opportunities in the urban core

As someone deeply connected to this university and this state, I believe the Performing Arts + Culture Center is a transformative investment—one that aligns with our values and advances our shared goals. I respectfully urge your support for this critical funding request.

Sincerely,

Brian Salvador