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On Behalf Of:

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Good morning, Chair and Committee members. My name is Mariena Joy. I'm a therapist specializing in trauma, and I've worked with children across Oregon, including tribal communities and schools.

I strongly support HB 3365. I've seen a sharp increase in kids struggling with anxiety, PTSD, and deep fear about climate change. Many don't plan for their future because they believe they won't have one.

But I've also seen hope return when kids are taught about climate solutions—especially in schools that integrate sustainability education. It changes everything.

This bill is not just about science—it's about mental health, empowerment, and giving our children a reason to hope.

Please vote yes on HB 3365. Thank you.