Submitter: Jennie Passero

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Revenue

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2977

Good Day,

I am writing to express my strong support for HB 2977. This legislation is a vital step toward ensuring that Oregon's unique and diverse wildlife, along with the habitats they depend on, are protected for future generations. I am an avid outdoorswoman, and being in nature is my happy place. Knowing that wildlife is thriving and protected makes me even happier.

Increasing the tourism tax by 1% to support wildlife conservation is a responsible and forward-thinking investment. Our ecosystems, outdoor recreation, and local economies all benefit when wildlife thrives. This bill is a valuable opportunity to proactively support biodiversity, prevent species decline, and strengthen Oregon's leadership in conservation efforts.

I urge you to vote in favor of HB 2977 and help secure lasting protections for the wildlife and wild spaces that make Oregon so special.

Thank you,

Jennie Passero