Submitter: Leah Murray

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On

Capital Construction

Measure, Appointment or

Topic:

SB5531

Dear Capital Construction Subcommittee,

I am writing to show my support for Lane County Coalition of Recreation, Arts, and Athletics (CoRAA). I am the Executive Director of the Shelton McMurphey Johnson House, and CoRAA is helping us complete our new Outdoor Classroom and Garden Terrace. This project will mean sustainability and growth for SMJ House at a time where arts and culture is experiencing financial restrictions. I know that many difficult decisions will be made this legislative session, but I encourage you to support CoRAA. All projects in CoRAA have preventative healthcare (both physical and mental) benefits, tremendous economic development impact, and will greatly enhance the quality of life here in Lane County.

The groups that make up CoRAA have raised \$21 million dollars and are requesting \$6.34 million to COMPLETE seven important capital projects, in both urban and rural areas of Lane County.

Thank you for your time and service to Oregonians and for your support of this important coalition.