Submitter: Ethan Hasenstein

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On

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SB5531

Dear Co-Chairs Girod and Nosse, Members of the Committee:

I strongly support lottery funding for the repair of the Osborn Aquatic Center in Corvallis. The closure of Osborn last fall has been a tremendous blow to our community. Osborn serves as a vital community hub for kids, seniors, and other community members who are learning the vital life skill of swimming, engaging in physical therapy/rehab, and maintaining mobility. In addition, it is the home venue for the Corvallis Aquatic Team (CAT), of which my 10-year-old daughter is a member of the Junior 1B squad (GO CAT!!). The thousands of kids who've taken lessons, swam competitively, and spent their summer afternoons at Osborn over the decades are testament to its importance to our community. Osborn is a key component of our community's social and physical infrastructure and community health. Osborn truly serves ALL.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and thanks especially to Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin for her support of Osborne.

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