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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On  
Capital Construction

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB5531

May 9, 2025

Co-Chair Senator Fred Girod,  
Co-Chair Representative Rob Nosse,  
Members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital  
Construction  
Oregon State Legislature  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Support for SB 5531 & Tillamook Bay Commons

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for the workforce housing (WFH) project in Tillamook, known as Tillamook Bay Commons. Funding from bill SB 5531 will enable the construction of this WFH project, providing housing for healthcare workers, educators, and other essential Tillamook County employees in my community.

As a resident of Tillamook County, I believe this bill is a critical step toward addressing the lack of housing options for our workforce in Tillamook County. This project has been awarded grant funding from the Tillamook County Housing Solutions Fund to serve as a catalyst to bring this vitally needed housing to fruition. The \$6.3 million in grant funding needed to complete this fully pre-leased WFH project is essential to the health and livelihood of our community.

I urge the legislature to pass SB 5531 and to take a stand for obtainable, workforce housing. This project has the ability to provided a sustainable solution to a huge problem in Rural Oregon. You have the ability to be a solution maker today in Oregons housing problems.

Thank you for your attention and service to our state. I am hopeful you will support this important piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

Sarah K Dentel

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The \$6.3 million in grant funding needed to complete this fully pre leased WFH project is essential to the health and livelihood of our community.

Please consider supporting this vital community WFH project in Tillamook City.

Sincerely,

Sarah K Dentel