Submitter: Bob Sommers

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On

Capital Construction

Measure, Appointment or

Topic:

SB5531

To whom it concerns,

I'm writing to support efforts to repair and update the Osborn Pool.

My wife and I are parents of 2 - 16 year old competitive swimmers, and a 17 year old who was as well. We are from Beaverton and our team is the Hillsboro Heat. We have attended enumerable swim meets at "The Osborn" over the last 10 years. We come to the Osborn pool because it hosts many swim meets including large State and regional meets every year. That makes it 'the hub' of Oregon swimming (OSI) that it is. It's the only 50 meter pool hosting and supporting Oregon Swimming south of Portland west of the Cascades.

All 3 of our children have competed there. My wife and I have attended all of those meets. We patronize local stores and restaurants on our visits and often for those larger State and/or Regional meets, we will stay at local hotels for 2 or 3 days, rather than drive back to Beaverton.

In conclusion, PLEASE, repair the Osborn pool! Sooner is better than later.

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