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On Behalf Of: Osborn Aquatic Center  
Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On  
Capital Construction  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB5531

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to urge you to support the funding needs to return Osborne Aquatic Center to its full potential and use. I am currently the parent of two competitive swimmers out of Hillsboro, Oregon. We have used the facility as an integral part of the competitive swim year for both regular and State meets. It is an ideal location, layout, and resource for the city and swimmers travelling from all over Oregon. I know it is used heavily by not only the local swim team, but swimmers around Oregon and beyond.

As a former resident of Corvallis, with continuing ties to many mid- valley families, I know the absence of this pool has been felt deeply by youth and families. My own children took their first swim lessons at Osborne Aquatic Center. We received unparalleled instruction in both parent- child lessons and preschool swim lessons, which we were unable to recreate after moving to the Portland metro area.

The combination of high-quality swim instruction, heavy community use year-round, and its status as a fundamental part of competitive swim years makes this pool a gem. It deserves full funding and priority status as you approve budgets. A loss or delay in returning Osborne Aquatic Center to its full potential would be devastating to the quality of life Oregon citizens deserve.

Sincerely,  
Brynn Quine