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On Behalf Of:

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Dear Representatives,

I am a working mother of three who is the main breadwinner for our family. The increasing burden of Oregon's taxes is causing significant hardships toward working families like ours! My employer has required employees back to the office, increasing my gas costs and these additional taxes will further cut into our ability to provide for our family. I live in a rural area, cannot use public transportation to get to work 35 miles away (one way) . I cannot work from home. I have to pay for Portland parking (while the City of Portland increases parking fees too!). My employer further cutting benefits to save costs due to Oregon's non-business friendly climate and expensive green energy initiatives!

My husband's job has been seriously impacted by cuts to Oregon agriculture and family farms. The Oregon farms they serve have lost contracts and no longer can afford to build new equipment that his company specializes in. We've now lost most of his income. Do you see how this all trickles down impacting the people who are working with their bare hands to keep this state afloat?!

Adding Oregon's growing taxation is one of the many worries our family has. We've seriously considered moving out of this state!

We are pleading to be listened to. Middle class families cannot sustain this! Find another way.