

Mujeres Luchadoras Progresistas

Chair Pham, Vice-Chair Anderson, and Members of the Committee,

For the record, my name is Rebeca Velazquez, and I am the Executive Director of Mujeres Luchadoras Progresistas, an organization of farmworker women building leadership and economic opportunity. I am here today in strong support of SB 1564.

This bill proposes a focused expansion of Woodburn's city boundaries to include a site ready for development. For women and families, we serve, this means the possibility of housing that is safe, stable, and close to work.

SB 1564 supports **both affordable housing for low-income Oregonians and market-rate housing**, recognizing that healthy communities require a full range of housing options. This approach helps women maintain economic stability, care for their families, and remain rooted in their communities.

The site's **agrihood model**, with a working farm integrated into the neighborhood, reflects the values of care, sustainability, and dignity that our members fight for—especially for mothers and caregivers.

We respectfully ask for your support.

With appreciation,

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