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I'm writing today in support of SB 1586, the Oregon JOBS Act.

Oregon's economy is at a turning point. Workers and families across the state are feeling real uncertainty, and it's clear that maintaining the status quo isn't enough. We need policies that actively encourage job creation, strengthen our tax base, and keep high-quality careers here in Oregon.

The Oregon JOBS Act does exactly that. SB 1586 is designed to attract and retain high-wage industries such as in semiconductors, bioscience, and advanced manufacturing, while protecting against uses that don't deliver broad economic value. The bill clearly prohibits standalone data centers, retail warehouses, and recreational facilities. This is about real jobs, real innovation, and long-term economic stability. This legislation comes at a critical moment. By supporting SB 1586, you can help ensure Oregon remains competitive, resilient, and focused on opportunity for businesses and working Oregonians.

I respectfully ask you to support SB 1586 during the 2026 session.

Thank you,

Sincerely,
Tom Knecht, SIOR
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