

Committee on Human Services and Housing,

I am writing in support of HB 2001. While in a housing crisis, the last thing we should be doing is artificially limiting the supply of housing while the demand is increasing. This is a sensible, market-driven solution to our current lack of housing supply.

We've seen what happens when people ignore increased housing demand and retain outdated zoning laws. San Francisco is the prime example and a 1 bedroom apartment now rents for nearly \$3,500/month.

Buildings don't make Portland what it is, the people do. If the people who live here now can't afford to live here in 10 years, Portland will not be the same city.

Thank you,
EJ Finneran