Dear Senator/Representative [Name],

As a resident of your district, I am writing to express my strong support for HB 3497- A, to develop a Multi-Sector Plan for Aging (MPA) for an Age-Friendly Oregon.

For the first time, <u>adults over 65 outnumber children under 18 in Oregon</u>. This shift calls for a thoughtful approach to how we support people as they age—and how we recognize and benefit from the experience and contributions of older adults.

HB 3497-A would lay the groundwork for that effort. The MPA would serve as a framework to help Oregon plan for the future, focusing on critical areas like housing, health, caregiving, workforce, and economic vitality. It's a smart, forward-looking step that will help our state make better investments through the lens of an aging population.

There is broad statewide support for HB 3497-A from organizations across Oregon.

I urge you to support the passage of HB 3497-A to help move Oregon toward a future where people of all ages and abilities can thrive.

Sincerely,

[Name]