DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LANE COUNTY

Platform Committee

1/17/2019

RESOLUTION 2019.1

A resolution of the Democratic Party of Lane County

Relating to support for affordable housing and renter protection in the

2019 Legislative Session

WHEREAS, the members of the Democratic Party of Lane County believe that housing rights are human rights; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Democratic Party of Lane County, according to the DPLC Platform of 2018, to "Support strengthening protections for renters through inclusionary zoning, reasonable notice for no-cause evictions & rent increases, rent stabilization, relocation assistance, just-cause evictions, and deposit recovery protections;" and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Democratic Party of Lane County, according to the DPLC Platform of 2018, to "Advocate for a housing-first approach to homelessness; including the use of state and municipal bond projects, municipal tax waivers, system development charge waivers, allowing for accessory dwelling units, rezoning processes, and public-private partnerships to increase the inventory of no, low, and moderate-income housing units;" and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Democratic Party of Lane County, according to the DPLC Platform of 2018, to "Work to create affordable and accessible housing at all income levels [and] expand rental protections and affordability;" and

WHEREAS, "Missing Middle" housing is a range of multi-unit or clustered housing

types (including duplexes, fourplexes, and bungalow courts) compatible in scale with single-family homes that creates diverse housing options along a spectrum of affordability and provides a solution to the mismatch between the available U.S. housing stock and shifting demographics; and

WHEREAS, HB 2001, which was introduced in the 2019 Oregon Legislative Session, would require cities with population greater than 10,000 and counties with population greater than 15,000 to allow middle housing in lands zoned for single-family dwellings within their urban growth boundary; and

WHEREAS, SB 608, which was introduced in the 2019 Oregon Legislative Session, would prohibit landlords from terminating month-to-month tenancy without cause after 12 months of occupancy and requires landlords to give 90 days' written notice and pay moving expenses if they terminate tenancy under certain conditions.

THEREFORE, the Democratic Party of Lane County resolves:

SECTION 1: To encourage Lane County legislators to vote in support of HB 2001 and SB 608 during the 2019 Oregon Legislative Session.

SECTION 2: To communicate our support of HB 2001 and SB 608 to the appropriate committees and to the Members of the Oregon Senate and Oregon House of Representatives.

Resolved by the Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Lane County,
Assembled in Eugene, Oregon, January 17, 2019