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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of our inn, the Old Parkdale Inn Bed and Breakfast, to document my support of the proposed rehabilitation project plans for the Tilly Jane A-Frame submitted by the Oregon Nordic club.

Although I haven't personally used the cabin I know our guests have on their day trips up from Parkdale. Without this access point others would be forced to "camp" during the winter months and this really isn't an option due to winter storms and below freezing temperatures. So, without the A-Frame, staying overnight on the NE side of the mountain isn't really feasible for the general public!

Having a public facility like the Tilly Jane A-Frame also serves the surrounding community and beyond through bringing in tourism dollars. Cabin patrons spend money outfitting themselves, purchasing food and beverages and filling their gas tanks within Parkdale, Hood River and Portland.

The Tilly Jane A-Frame is an Oregon treasure that deserves to be maintained! Please don't wait any longer to address all the deferred maintenance and rehabilitation needs. I also have an interest in seeing historic structures maintained so they can continue to be used. It's pretty amazing to think that it's served as a shelter for generations of Oregonians before us and I'd like to see it be around for the generations that follow!

Thank You;

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