



May 19, 2016

Andre Fortin
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Dear Andre,

On behalf of The History Museum of Hood River County, I am pleased to voice support for the rehabilitation of the Tilly Jane A-Frame. A site listed on the National Register of Historic Places, this structure has served the community of mountain climbers and nature lovers in both the summer and winter seasons since 1939. Not surprisingly, the condition of the cabin has deteriorated during the intervening decades. We are fortunate that the Portland chapter of the Oregon Nordic Club has taken on the responsibility of managing the facility, as well as addressing the growing need to address deferred maintenance.

In this regard, we are so pleased to add our voices to the many supporters who encourage the fundraising efforts of the club to refurbish the Tilly Jane A-Frame. The small, but growing, income from renting of the facility is not adequate to underwrite the scope and entirety of the repairs required. As a non-profit organization ourselves, we realize the determination required to secure sufficient funding to not only operate a facility, but also to undertake necessary remedial steps to insure that future users will enjoy the site. As stewards of the past, we are bound to keep such historic places in trust, while also available to the public. This means shouldering the managerial and maintenance responsibilities in order to safeguard history's for future generations. History is a sacred trust that we all embrace.

With wishes for your success in this effort, I am

Yours sincerely,

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