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Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon statement on Senate minimum wage vote

Salem, Ore. – Today, the Oregon Senate voted to approve an increase in Oregon’s minimum wage (SB1532). Following the vote, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO) issued the following statement:

“As Oregonians, we believe in the inherent dignity of work. When those around us can’t afford to buy food, go to the doctor, or take care of their families, that hurts and affects all of us. We believe those who work should be able to support themselves and their families, regardless of the job they do. We also believe Oregonians deserve to be paid a fair and decent wage that recognizes the value of their work.”

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon is a statewide association of Christian denominations, congregations, ecumenical organizations and interfaith partners working together to improve the lives of Oregonians through community ministry programs, ecumenical and interreligious dialogue, environmental ministry and public policy advocacy. Please note, the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon releases all public policy statements through the Oregon Catholic Conference.

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