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Downtown Portland Roundtable Focuses on Business Community Success

Portland, Ore. – Today, **Rep. Daniel Nguyen** convened the fourth in a series of Economic Development visits and roundtables, hosted by **Rep. Shannon Jones Isadore** at the site of the proposed James Beard Public Market. These visits were initiated by Rep. Nguyen to inform the legislature’s work to fuel economic development, support small businesses, and foster trade outside the walls of the State Capitol Building.

“Portland business-owners are scrappy, resilient, and innovative—our focus is meeting them where they are and maximizing our resources when trying to support their continued growth,” **said Rep. Daniel Nguyen (D-Lake Oswego & SW Portland)**, Chair of the [House Committee on Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade](#). “Revitalizing Rose City means listening to and believing business owners sounding the alarm, investing in growth, and then stepping back to let them run with their visions.”

“Downtown is the economic driver for Portland, and Portland is the driver for Oregon. We know that when Portland thrives, the whole state benefits,” **said Rep. Shannon Jones Isadore (D-NW & Downtown Portland, Linnnton & Cathedral Park)**, Vice Chair of Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade. “I’m inspired by the grit and creativity of our local businesses, and I’m committed to backing bold, thoughtful solutions that support our city and state’s success.”

Friday’s visit was joined by Republican Vice Chair of Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade, **Rep. Ed Diehl (R-Stayton)**, as well as a dozen downtown businesses, including Powell’s Books, Smith Tea, and Orox Leather Co.— and follows stops in [Marion County](#), [Clackamas County’s Sunrise Corridor](#), [Roseburg](#), [Grants Pass](#), and [Central Point](#), with a final visit in the Lake Oswego area up next.

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