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Governor Kotek's Housing Plan Doubles Down on Failure

SALEM, Ore. – Senate Republican Leader Daniel Bonham (R-The Dalles) criticized **Governor Tina Kotek's** proposed budget for lacking a bold vision to address Oregon's worsening housing crisis, highlighting her administration's failure to meet its own housing production goals.

"When **Governor Kotek** took office, she set an ambitious goal of building 36,000 housing units per year to address Oregon's severe housing shortage. Yet, the latest report shows that only 18,000 units were built in 2023—less than half of her target and even fewer than the 20,000 units built in 2022," said **Bonham**. "This failure reflects the shortcomings of the policies she continues to champion."

Bonham emphasized that Oregonians deserve the American Dream—a future where families can afford single-family homes, not just government-subsidized apartments or high-density high-rises built by politically connected nonprofits.

"Under **Governor Kotek's** leadership, housing policies have been largely driven by bureaucracy and ideology, prioritizing government-subsidized projects over real solutions to increase supply, reduce costs, and empower working families. Her new budget doubles down on the same failed strategies that have left Oregonians behind. It's time for a new vision—one that focuses on affordability, homeownership, and economic opportunity for all," added **Bonham**.

Senate Republicans are committed to delivering a housing policy that works for every Oregonian. This means focusing on increasing housing supply across the spectrum, reducing regulatory burdens that drive up costs, and addressing the skyrocketing energy prices that make it harder to build and maintain homes.

"Oregonians don't need more empty promises or half-measures. They need real solutions to bring housing within reach. **Senate Republicans** will continue to fight for policies that deliver the American Dream for Oregonians," concluded **Bonham**.

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