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Mr. Frank Garcia
Governor's Office
160 State Capitol
900 Court St.
Salem, OR 97301

SUBJ: Support of SB 833 – Short Term Driver License

Dear Frank:

I appreciate the opportunity to provide you with a letter in support of SB 833 concerning the issuance of short term driver licenses. From the perspective of the Portland Police Bureau, this bill will enhance the safety and well-being of all Oregon drivers.

The public safety measures included in this bill will significantly reduce the number of unlicensed and uninsured drivers who are driving in our local communities and on highways and freeways in Oregon. It will allow individuals to legally obtain an Oregon driver's license (while passing the written and driving skills tests), but are not able to provide proof of legal residency.

I applaud the hard work from the Governor Kitzhaber's workgroup in creating a bill that addresses the law enforcement emphasis of residents having valid driver's licenses and auto insurance to protect themselves and other drivers.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL REESE
Chief of Police

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