

My name is Mark Himmelman and I live in Portland, Oregon. I have a family and a son in 9th grade. I support the Senate Bill 664 to mandate Holocaust and genocide education in the state's public schools. I strongly believe in this necessary legislation for the importance of the future education of students. The Holocaust was a horrific genocide of over eleven million people, including six million Jews. Teaching Oregon students about the horrific atrocities of the Holocaust and genocide is critical to providing education about the effects of prejudice and discrimination, and a better understanding of topics related to morality and social justice. Thank you very much for your consideration.

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