Chair Golden, Chair Holvey and members of the House Committee on Rules and the Senate Committee on Campaign Finance,

PLEASE ENACT MEANINGFUL AND SUBSTANTIVE CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORMS! Support HB 2716, HB 2983 and HJR 13.

Steve Novick was simply wrong when he wrote this column for BlueOregon.<sup>[1]</sup> "Why Meek Should Not Inherit the Earth."

Stand for Children, Ecumenical Ministries, Oregon Action, Basic Rights Oregon, NARAL and Planned Parenthood have been involved in the legislative process, and some have been involved in candidate campaigns. They have concluded that these measures will chill the participation of small and mid-sized donors, and muzzle politically active non-profits, while the final result will be wealthy individuals continuing on unfettered.



The graphs below plot political contribution data spanning 1990-2018 from FollowTheMoney.org. This is *not* what democracy looks like.



The 1998 governor race data point is buried under the data for Senate race contributions.



There are so many striking things about this data. Most assuredly, the money in politics is ever rising.

Oregon voters would surely benefit if \$70 M weren't used to manipulate their vote. Electeds would benefit as they wouldn't have to squirm when asked if money influences their votes. (We know it does--just like targeted advertising influences us as we browse on the internet.)

We understand that campaign contributions correlate with leadership on Committees, waxing and waning as a party claims or loses seats. Corporations understand that when they donate to both parties--which is why Democrats are tempted by so much corporate cash (especially with the super-majority in both chambers).

Taking a deeper dive into gubernatorial races, we see a 50/50 Democrat/Republican split of money raised.

Candidate	Election Status	Status of Candidate	Specific Party	General Party	Election Jurisdiction	Election Year	E Tj
BROWN, KATE	WON- GENERAL	WON	DEMOCRATIC	DEMOCRATIC	OR	2018	S
BUEHLER, KNUTE C	LOST- GENERAL	LOST	REPUBLICAN	REPUBLICAN	OR	2018	S

Governor Brown's top 10 donors (not including \$4.7 M uncoded) by industry:

Q PUBLIC SECTOR UNIONS	LABOR
LIBERAL POLICY ORGANIZATION	IDEOLOGY/SINGLE ISSUE
Q UNITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS	UNITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS
GENERAL TRADE UNIONS	LABOR
Q LAWYERS & LOBBYISTS	LAWYERS & LOBBYISTS
CANDIDATE COMMITTEES	CANDIDATE CONTRIBUTIONS
Q PARTY COMMITTEES	PARTY
Q ABORTION POLICY	IDEOLOGY/SINGLE ISSUE
Q PRO-ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY	IDEOLOGY/SINGLE ISSUE
Q GUN CONTROL	IDEOLOGY/SINGLE ISSUE

Former Representative Knute Buehler's top 10 donors (not including \$5.9 M uncoded) by industry:

Q	UNCODED	UNCODED
Q	MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING & DISTRIBUTING	GENERAL BUSINESS
Q	CONSERVATIVE POLICY ORGANIZATION	IDEOLOGY/SINGLE ISSUE
Q	PARTY COMMITTEES	PARTY
Q	UNITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS	UNITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS
Q	BUILDING MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT	CONSTRUCTION
Q	FORESTRY & FOREST PRODUCTS	AGRICULTURE
Q	REAL ESTATE	FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL EST
Q	HEALTH PROFESSIONALS	HEALTH
Q	PHARMACEUTICALS & HEALTH PRODUCTS	HEALTH
Q	AUTOMOTIVE	TRANSPORTATION

Campaign contribution limits will limit how much money the wealthy can contribute individually... such as Phil Knight, who has donated nearly \$3.5 M of his own cash to candidates since 2012. Of that money, \$2.5 M was contributed to Knute Buehler in his gubernatorial race alone!

Tran Date	Filer	Contributor/Payee	Sub Type	Amount	Aggregate Amount
10/10/2018	Knute for Governor	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	1000000	2000000
08/13/2018	Knute for Governor	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	1000000	1000000
08/14/2017	Knute for Governor	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	500000	500000
10/20/2010	Friends of Chris Dudley	Phillip Knight	Cash Contribution	200000	400000
10/07/2010	Friends of Chris Dudley	Phillip Knight	Cash Contribution	100000	200000
05/02/2010	Friends of Chris Dudley	Phillip Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	100000
10/01/2016	Friends of Mark Johnson	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	80000	80000
09/26/2016	Alan DeBoer for State Senate	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
10/22/2010	Friends of Bruce Hanna	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
03/05/2010	Friends of Chris Dudley	Phillip Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
09/22/2016	Friends of Dan Mason	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
09/27/2016	Friends of Patti Milne	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
06/21/2012	Knute Buehler for Secretary of State	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
09/26/2016	Lori DeRemer for State Representative	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
09/27/2016	Ron Noble for Oregon	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	50000	50000
09/26/2016	Committee to Elect Rich Vial	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	25000	25000
05/22/2012	Friends of Bruce Hanna	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	25000	25000
09/22/2016	Friends of Julie Parrish	Phil Knight	Cash Contribution	25000	25000
10/22/2010	Friends of Julie Parrish	Phil Knight	Cash Contribution	15000	15000
10/21/2010	Friends of Katie Eyre Brewer	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	15000	15000
10/23/2010	Friends of Mark Johnson	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	15000	15000
10/24/2012	Tim Knopp for State Senate	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	10000	10000
10/25/2012	Friends of Katie Eyre	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	5000	5000
10/20/2012	Larry George for State Senate	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	5000	5000
10/25/2012	Committee to Elect Jason Conger	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	2500	2500
10/24/2012	Committee to Elect John E. Huffman	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	2500	2500
10/22/2012	Friends of Julie Parrish	Phil Knight	Cash Contribution	2500	2500
10/25/2012	Friends of Mark Johnson	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	2500	2500
05/02/2012	Friends of Maryl Graybeal Featherstone	Philip H Knight	Cash Contribution	2500	2500
10/26/2012	Friends of Val Hoyle	Phil Knight	Cash Contribution	2500	2500
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But let's examine how an unmuzzled Planned Parenthood (one of the nonprofits that opposed M 46, which would have amended Oregon's Constitution to enact voter-approved M 47 in 2006) affected the 2018 election cycle. With Orestar data, we see that Planned Parenthood and the Planned Parenthood PAC contributed \$191,500 to Democrats. The Kate Brown Committee alone, in aggregate, received \$165,000 from the Planned Parenthood PAC. In turn, Planned Parenthood received \$14,205 from Democrats.

Tran Date	Filer		Sub Type	Amount
10/17/2018	Caddy McKeown for Representative	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	2000
10/17/2018	Chrissy for Oregon	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	3000
10/17/2018	Committee to Elect Janelle Bynum	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	1000
10/17/2018	Friends of Anna Williams	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	2000
10/19/2018	Friends of Chuck Riley	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	2500
04/25/2017	Friends of Kathleen Harder	Planned Parenthood of Oregon	Cash Contribution	1000
10/17/2018	Friends of Paul Evans	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	2000
10/17/2018	Friends of Tiffiny Mitchell	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	3000
05/01/2018	Friends of Val Hoyle	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	5000
10/17/2018	Future PAC, House Builders	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	5000
11/03/2018	Kate Brown Committee	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	16000
10/29/2018	Kate Brown Committee	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	100000
10/18/2018	Kate Brown Committee	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	25000
02/01/2018	Kate Brown Committee	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Contribution	24000
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05/18/2018	Floot Ellen Besenklum (er Atterney Conoral	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O	Cook Evenediture	1050
	Elect Ellen Rosenblum for Attorney General			1250
06/07/2017	Elect Ellen Rosenblum for Attorney General	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		625
06/08/2017	Friends of Alissa Keny-Guyer	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	250
11/02/2018	Friends of Andrea Salinas	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	500
06/01/2017	Friends of Chuck Riley	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	250
09/25/2017	Friends of Dan Rayfield	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	150
05/29/2017	Friends of Ginny Burdick	Planned Parenthood Advocates or O		250
11/05/2018	Friends of Jennifer Williamson	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	20
10/30/2018	Friends of Jennifer Williamson	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	500
05/04/2017	Friends of Jennifer Williamson	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		400
06/08/2017	Friends of Julie Fahey	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	250
04/26/2017	Friends of Karin Power	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		625
05/24/2017	Friends of Laurie Monnes Anderson	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		250
12/11/2017	Friends of Lynn Peterson	Planned Parenthood	Cash Expenditure	150
05/22/2017	Friends of Mark Hass	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		250
05/23/2017	Friends of Michael Dembrow	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		250
05/15/2017	Friends of Richard Devlin	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	250
05/15/2017	Friends of Tobias Read	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		125
01/25/2017	Friends of Tobias Read	Planned Parenthood Columbia Willar		110
07/05/2018	Friends of Val Hoyle	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	1000
05/01/2018	Future PAC, House Builders	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		1500
08/04/2017	Future PAC, House Builders	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		750
05/30/2018	Kate Brown Committee	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	1000
05/05/2017	Kate Brown Committee	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		1000
05/24/2017	Peter Courtney for State Senate	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		250
11/01/2018	Rosenbaum for Senate (Diane)	Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon	Cash Expenditure	500
05/24/2017	Sara Gelser for State Senate	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O		250
05/29/2018	Senate Democratic Leadership Fund	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O	Cash Expenditure	1250
05/16/2017	Senate Democratic Leadership Fund	Planned Parenthood Advocates of O	Cash Expenditure	250
				14205

Contributions from Democrats (though insignificant to the \$3M+ raised) could have been used fund the No Cuts to Care PAC to oppose Measure 106. Dark money, if you will. The nature of this committee was to defend access to reproductive health services for hundreds of thousands of Oregonians.

Statement of Orga	anization for Political Action (	Committee
Committee Information		
Name:	No Cuts to Care PAC	ID: 19478 🕢 Help
	08/21/2018 to present 3321 SE 20th Avenue Portland, OR 97202	PAC Type: Measure Filing Type: Amendment Campaign Phone:
Treasurer Information		
Mailing Address:	Jef A Green P.O. Box 42307 Portland, OR 97242	Work Phone: (503)295-1851 Home Phone: Fax:
Email Address:	j.green@c-esystems.com	
Nature of Committee Defending access to reproductive h	ealth services for hundreds of thousands of Oregoni	ans.
The committee is not a candid	ate-controlled committee.	
The committee supports or op		
2018 General Election	Opposes Measure #106	Amends Constitution: Prohibits spending "public funds" (defined) directly/indirectly for "abortion" (defined); exceptions; reduces abortion access
Account Summary Information	ation for the year 2018	
Contributions Cash Contributions Loans Received (non-exempt) In-Kind Total Contributions		Amount \$3,258,752.58 \$0.00 \$421,942.41 \$3,680,694.99
		\$3,000,034.39
Expenditures Cash Expenditures Loan Payments (non-exempt) In-Kind Total Expenditures		\$3,254,539.16 \$0.00 \$421,942.41 <b>\$3,676,481.57</b>

I'll 'fess up. I am a true-blue progressive that supports reproductive justice. But this is simply insane!

Please enact meaningful campaign finance legislation.

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