To Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher, and Members of the Committee on Senate Judiciary,

I am Madeline Byers, a long-time resident of Oregon and a supporter of sexual assault survivors. I work in advertising and care about this topic dearly.

## - Why is this Bill Important:

> Having sexual assault survivors go back to court to renew their restraining orders annually is traumatic. This restraining order needs to be extended.

> Protecting vulnerable people, children, survivors of repeat sexual assault offenders, survivors of sexual assault by family is important and their protection deserves to be permanent.

## - What does it remedy:

> It prevents the responsibility of keeping themselves safe fall on the sexual assault survivors.
> It protects the most vulnerable in the community, especially those who have jobs that do not allow them to take days off to go to court to

- My position on this Bill is that I support it and I would like it to get passed.

- I support <u>SB 482</u> along with it's "-1" amendment.

Thank you Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher, Members of the Committee on Senate Judiciary