

April 12, 2019

Honorable Members of the Joint Committee on Transportation:

My name is Lesley Roehr and I'm from Wilsonville, Oregon. I am a retired peace officer and the Oregon coordinator for The Remembrance Project. I strongly oppose House Bill 2015. Providing government-issued ID to unvetted foreign nationals is irresponsible and will not improve public safety.

In 2014, after politicians passed a bill granting driver's licenses to illegals, Oregon voters delivered a resounding defeat to that bill. 35 of 36 counties voted NO on Measure 88. Constituents in every district outside of Multnomah opposed this bill. Now, the legislature is attempting to thwart the will of the people, and by filing the bill as an "emergency", to prevent another vote on this issue. What is an EMERGENCY is that 132 innocent Oregonians have been killed by foreign nationals, most in driving offenses. It is an emergency that there are nearly 1,000 alien felons in our state prison for committing a wide variety of crimes. And let's not forget that illegally entering the country itself is a crime under 8 USC 1325. Yet this legislature wants to reward those who have ignored our laws by granting them the privilege to drive.

During my career in law enforcement, I've had the heartbreaking task of explaining to families WHY the person that killed their loved one was allowed to remain in the country, even after committing prior crimes. The fact is, there is NO acceptable answer. The truth is that politicians have prioritized citizens of other countries above their own, and these victims are the collateral damage. Every year that you grant more rights to lawbreakers, you send victims the message that their lives don't matter.

Last summer a beautiful Salem couple was killed by a drunk driving criminal alien with a prior record. Logan and Jessica Wilson leave behind three young children and a deeply grieving family. Logan was dedicated to his children and worked tirelessly to support them. Jessica loved being a mom and cherished every day with her kids. Please, put aside politics & imagine if it were one of your loved ones. The Wilsons are just ONE of the 132 Oregon families permanently separated by those who had no right to be here.

What sets us apart as a nation, and keeps us safe, is a shared value in the rule of law. It's one of the reasons so many want to come here. Millions of immigrants come here lawfully, and become Americans through a vetting process that protects us ALL. When elected officials reward unlawful behavior and fail to protect law-abiding immigrants and citizens, the stability of our country is weakened. The citizens of this state have made it clear that we do not want those who have bypassed our laws to receive driver's licenses. Please honor our wishes and Vote NO on this bill. Thank you.

Lesley Roehr
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Logan and Jessica's wedding:



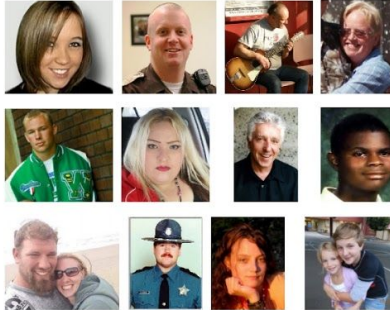
The Wilson Family: Permanently Separated



24 of the 132 Oregonians killed by criminal aliens - Beloved, never forgotten:

REMEMBERING OREGON VICTIMS

Logan Wilson, 34, Salem, 2018
Jessica Wilson, 32, Salem, 2018
Deputy Kelly Fredinburg, 33, Marion Co., 2007
Dani Countryman, Milwaukie, 2014
Parker Moore, 20, McMinnville, 2014
Sister Helen Chaska, 53, Klamath Falls, 2002
Anna Dieter-Eckerdt, 6, Forest Grove, 2013
Abigail Robinson, 11, Forest Grove, 2013
Katie Gildersleeve, 30, Woodburn, 2016
Rubin Rigoberto-Reyes, 60, Woodburn, 2016
Edmundo Amaro-Bajonero, 26, Woodburn, 2016
Trooper Bret Clotfelder, 34, Klamath Falls, 1992



Montez Bailey, 21, Salem, 2009
Albert Rowland, 53, Portland, 2010
Kimberly McDaniel, 23, Dodson, 2006
John Zupan, 66, Portland, 2011
Carma Smith, 52, Yamhill Co., 2008
Barbara Jean Bier, 52, Salem, 2008
Mary Denise Richey, 40, Gladstone, 2007
Judyth Anne Cox, 66, Yamhill CO., 2007
Kenneth Carroll, 72, Eugene, 2012
Justin Dougherty, 23, Lane Co., 2008
Kay Blaser, 26, Oregon City, 2008
Officer Thomas Jeffries, 35, Portland, 1997

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