

As a lifelong Oregonian, musician and music educator, I urge the legislature to adopt HB 2329. Oregon's state song should represent all Oregonians, especially Black, Indigenous and people of color (BIPOC) as their voices are too often excluded from our state's cultural symbols and history. The current state song is out of date and references our terrible colonial past instead of honoring those who have called our beautiful state home for millennia. As a state with a shameful history of racism, HB 2329 would be a step in the right direction in Oregon's journey to be more equitable and inclusive.

Thank you for your consideration,

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