

I am in support of Representative Mike Nearman to keep his duly elected house position. He is one of the most knowledgeable members of the house when it comes to the Constitutions of Oregon and the United States. He was duly elected overwhelmingly in his district for this and other reasons. He is passionate about his work at the state capital and he always means well. In working with Representative Nearman on a couple of different issues, I find him more qualified than some of those who are trying to oust him. I have watched both videos of Representative Nearman, and I do not find that he did anything wrong. If you know Representative Nearman as I do, in one video he was joking. In the other, he simply walked out the door. What was wrong is that Representative Kotec did not have properly placed security at ALL doors leading into the capital to ensure all doors were secured no matter who exited the building. Representative Nearman simply walked out of the door of the People's House, and the People then rushed in. If Representative Kotec did her due diligence, the capital police would have been there to shut the door. Why are elected representatives like Representative Kotec and others trying to keep the people out and pass bills without the proper verbal testimony or oversight anyhow? Why is Representative Nearman being punished for something Representative Kotec should have made sure was secure? Now they want to expel an excellent representative who knows their shenanigans. We cannot just simply expel a person who was duly elected into his seat by his constituents for simply opening a door. Let's not mention the fact that Representative Kotec's own staffer was arrested for a much more grievous offense in rioting in downtown Portland and Representative Kotec was able to get her off of all charges. This is a double standard here. Representative Kotec is a revengeful person who wants Representative Nearman out of the capital as he truly cares for his constituents, this state, and this country. Any republican or even democrat who votes to expel Representative Nearman really needs to take a long look in the mirror and ask themselves if they would like this to be done to them. Elections are just a year away, and we have long memories.