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The true effect of HJR 5, a constitutional amendment to guarantee the right to hunting, fishing, and gathering, is often misunderstood. It will safeguard a right that many of us currently possess. It will preclude attempts to outright prohibit gathering, hunting, and fishing. In addition, it will enable the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to continue to regulate these operations reasonably.

Currently, 23 states have a constitutionally protected right to hunt, fish, gather, and forage. Oregon cannot be neglected, nor can hunters, fishermen, and gatherers be disregarded. This bill's passing will move us closer to providing peace of mind to those of us who enjoy outdoor recreation in Oregon's landscapes.