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The right of the people to keep and bear arms, enshrined in the Constitution's Second Amendment, is centered not on hunting or sport shooting but on the natural right of self-defense. It gives "teeth" to the promises of liberty, ensuring that attempts to reduce our natural rights to mere dead letters may be met with meaningful resistance.

Oregon Constitution

Art. I section 27

The people shall have the right to bear arms for the defence (sic) of themselves, and the State, but the Military shall be kept in strict subordination to the civil power.

Art.1 Section 33

Enumeration of rights not exclusive. This enumeration of rights, and privileges shall not be construed to impair or deny others retained by the people.