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Octopus farming is a high-risk threat, with the potential impact on biodiversity too great to chance if octopuses escape to prey on native species. Octopuses are unsustainable to farm, and we don't need to add this to already strained ecosystems. To confine octopuses together is inherently cruel, as they are solitary animals by nature and highly intelligent. Oregon should be a state that prides itself on animal welfare, not one allowing such abuses. We must defend Oregon waters from this rising threat and act to preserve biodiversity and not promote unsustainable and inhumane farming practices.