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On Behalf Of:

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I am writing in support of HB 3075-1. As an educator, parent and survivor, gun safety is an issue I am strongly committed to. I helped get Measure 114 on the ballot. I voted for it along with enough other Oregonians for it to pass. It's time to take this one step to get it smoothly implemented. Studies have shown that permits to purchase will reduce homicides and suicides in Oregon. My partner died by suicide. She was able to purchase a gun at a sporting goods store with limited background check and use it the next morning to end her life. If she had had to go through a permit process, the intensity of her despair might have shifted. As an elementary school teacher, I have held the hand of kindergartners as we walked out of the building during an active shooter drill too many times. Our children deserve to feel safe in school, not take on the burden of gun violence. I urge you to pass HB 3075-1.
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