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On Behalf Of:

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Members of the Judiciary Committee,

I am a lifelong Oregonian who grew up in a hunting family so I know firsthand the rich tradition, bonds, and memories made through activities that involve firearms.

Unfortunately, I also know firsthand the unimaginable horror and trauma of firearm violence. I've lost 5 people I cared deeply about; 3 by firearm suicide and 2 by firearm homicide. All of them were Oregonians living productive lives, with friends and family who loved them very much.

Data shows that firearm violence decreases when common sense gun laws are in place. Please support HB 3076 and move it out of committee. Firearm dealers must have incentive and accountability to follow the law. We need state licensing and consistent inspections to hold them accountable. Too many guns sold in Oregon are ending up in crimes across our state and elsewhere. Please help protect myself, my family and my community from any more trauma from gun violence.