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Opposition to Oregon Measure 114

We strongly oppose Oregon Measure 114, a misguided and unconstitutional attempt to restrict the rights of law-abiding gun owners while doing little to prevent crime.

1. Violates Constitutional Rights

Measure 114 imposes excessive restrictions on the Second Amendment rights of Oregonians. The requirement for a permit to purchase a firearm creates unnecessary government barriers that could delay or deny lawful gun ownership. The magazine capacity limit further infringes on personal protection and sporting rights.

2. Disproportionately Affects Law-Abiding Citizens

This measure will do nothing to stop criminals, who do not follow gun laws. Instead, it burdens responsible gun owners, making it harder for them to protect themselves and their families. The permit system creates extra hurdles for those who already pass background checks and legally purchase firearms.

3. Creates an Unworkable Bureaucratic Mess

Measure 114's permit system is underfunded and unprepared for implementation. Local law enforcement agencies have admitted they lack the resources to process permit applications efficiently, leading to delays and uncertainty. This effectively denies people their rights through bureaucratic failure.

4. Harms Vulnerable Communities

The permit system disproportionately affects low-income individuals and minority communities, who may face greater difficulty navigating the permitting process. Self-defense should not be a privilege reserved for those with time and money to navigate government red tape.

5. Fails to Address Violent Crime

There is no evidence that Measure 114 will reduce gun violence. Criminals will continue to obtain firearms illegally, while this law restricts only law-abiding citizens. Instead of addressing root causes of crime—such as mental health issues, gang

violence, and drug abuse—this measure misdirects focus onto responsible gun owners.

Respectfully,
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