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To Whom it May Concern,

As a retired public safety officer who served in both California and Oregon for a combined service of 31 years. I am disappointed in my Oregon legislators who were installed to protect ALL of the constitutional rights of Oregonians who consistently work to violate the most basic constitutional 2nd amendment right.

I've watched over my career as Oregon legislators regulate Oregonians from a position of fear, and socialist uninformed control tactics rather than a position of real informed studies or communications with real Oregonian constituents.

I'd be curious, who among you actually went on a ride-along with law enforcement officers who interact with the Oregon population of gun-owners on a regular basis. I've spent years working in a career that dealt with both those who have misused firearms, as well as those who appropriately maintained their responsibilities as gun-owners wisely. The good so far outweigh the bad that there is no comparison.

It's contradictory for Oregon law makers and Governors' to promote constricting laws against the law abiding public, then release convicted criminals from our jails into our society without regard for community safety, or support sanctuary State policies.

You complain there are too many people victimized by gun-related crimes, but you can't seem to differentiate between the results of your poor policy decisions regarding recidivist criminals, and good people who deserve to have their constitutional rights honored.

Criminals don't care about the gun laws you pass. They never have; they never will. Your efforts to criminalize the good people of Oregon should in fact, be criminal.

Our fear mongering legislators are so intent on penalizing the good people of Oregon who happen to enjoy their 2nd amendment rights, that they (you) would criminalize them for simply being gun owners or those who would make a living in firearms market. Additionally, all these laws don't apply to the decision-making of those who would abuse the 2nd amendment right to own and carry a firearm. Study after study

of States with restrictive gun laws have proven this repeatedly.

I spent years working patrol in two states, knowing that the responsible gun owners and carriers were my last line of defense when I was alone and dealing with a threat that may be beyond my own capabilities in the moment. Something I'm sure very few, if any legislator, who seems to think they have all the answers have lived through. Yet you would deny the protection law enforcement officers have in their responsible civilian supporters. Not to mention denying them of their own rights to self-protection in their homes and personal lives with their firearm and magazine quantity of choice.

Study after study debunks the agenda to limit firearm ownership, or magazine restrictions among law abiding citizens, but you continue to be tone deaf to anything that contradicts your personal uninformed views. Go talk to some real cops. Those who actually do the job. Not the agenda-politically appointed talking heads.

This State was originally settled by independent, strong men and women. Firearms have always been a part of our culture. Just once, it would be nice to see out legislators actually fight for Oregonians independence, our constitutional rights to include the 2nd amendment, and our ability to live free in our beautiful state.

Uninformed fear should never guide informed decisions or regulation.

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