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Dear Members of Oregon's Congress,

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It has come to my attention that some of you folks are coming up with some crazy House/Senate Bills. Notably, HB 3075 seeks to do away with our Bill of Rights, as guaranteed by the Constitution of our great Republic. SB 243 does the same. The Second Amendment, and its "shall not be infringed," was near the top of the list for our brave and patriotic forefathers, who were living in an increasingly tyrannical society. For those who are properly educated, the Federalist Papers makes this concept perfectly clear. Read 'em! Our forefathers knew that the only way to prevent tyranny, was for each individual citizen to be armed. They sacrificed their possessions, family, and livelihood, while literally shedding their blood for our Constitution. Of course, this is also the main reason Russia and China have not tried to invade us (yet...) – we literally have the largest standing army in the world. Why? Because our citizens are armed and will stand their ground. Our Constitution assures us of this capability. A pox on those who don't concur; clearly, they are enemies of the State, and our hallowed Constitution. Shame for shame... Are we for King George, or the U.S. Constitution? May God help us!!!

Unfortunately, we have a lot of Marxists on the Left Coast (and New England), who don't see it that way. They would like to emulate Russia, or China. Those politicians see themselves as tyrants – kings and queens – telling the peasants what they can and cannot do. (Perhaps they should move to China.) Moreover, they are not adhering to their oath of office – to uphold the Constitution; rather, they would conspire to abolish the 2nd Amendment. This is, in fact, a criminal act. Swearing to uphold the Constitution, and then proceeding to use political power to abolish it, is beyond shameful – it is criminal! Why one would desire criminals to be the only gunowners in our State is beyond comprehension to me. Obviously, more gun laws will only affect law-abiding gunowners. Let's go to Court...

Personally, I've worked in the public sector for over 50 of my 70+ years as a native Oregonian. I am a Vietnam and Iraq veteran, and a retired teacher. I know what it's like to sacrifice for our country and way of life. Frankly, I am shocked at the behavior of many of our politicians, who seem bent on pursuing tyranny. Wake up folks! Keep our Country (and the State of Oregon) free and strong – forever! Thank you for reading this. Please uphold the Constitution and your sworn oath!

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