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SB210

I stand in strong opposition to SB210, a bill that pretends to protect election integrity while actively laying the groundwork for voter suppression in our state. With the Oregon Real ID law taking effect this May, we already have an effective system in place to validate citizenship and identity for voting. So let's call this bill what it is: a blatant attempt to roll back voting access under the guise of "security."

SB210 does not enhance our democracy—it threatens it. It is rooted in a long and shameful tradition of excluding marginalized voices from the ballot box. Let's not forget the not-so-distant past when only white male landowners had the right to vote. Every law that chips away at accessibility—whether through ID barriers, registration purges, or disinformation campaigns—reeks of that same fear-driven effort to cling to power.

And let's be honest: this bill isn't about election fraud. Oregon's elections are already among the most secure and inclusive in the country. What this bill is about is weaponizing bureaucracy to silence communities of color, immigrants, low-income voters, and anyone else who dares challenge the status quo.

Waving around your white male fragility card while proposing laws like SB210 only confirms what many of us already know—you're afraid. Afraid of a future where power is shared, voices are diverse, and the playing field is finally level. But that future is coming, whether you like it or not.

We will not be dragged back into the dark ages. We will not stand by while discriminatory laws are dressed up in the language of "integrity." Democracy means expanding access, not restricting it. SB210 is a step in the wrong direction, and history will remember who stood on the side of justice—and who didn't.

Sincerely,

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