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Damascus, OR

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The Honorable Members of the Oregon Legislature  
Oregon State Capitol  
900 Court St NE  
Salem, Or 97301

**SUBJECT: Support of SB210**

I am writing to express my support of SB210, which proposes to make voting in-person the preferred and normal method for voting and to show a valid picture ID when voting or requesting a ballot.

As a registered voter in the State of Oregon and a citizen of the United States, I have voted in 99.9% of the elections since I came of voting age more than 50 years ago. I have always considered voting a priority and honor as a natural-born citizen of natural-born citizen parents.

**It has always been an honor to visit the polling precinct and cast my vote, an act I take very seriously.**

**I believe that by returning to in-person voting as the normal, preferred and primary method of casting votes, and requiring ballots to be returned on election day, returns the voice to the citizenry, increases the security, transparency and trustworthiness of elections, and minimizes the opportunities for shenanigans, hijinks, fraud, and hijacking of the peoples' voice.**

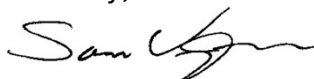
While we have become accustomed to – and perhaps lazy – taking the “easy” way to vote by mail, this bill also incorporates methods that will accommodate those who are not able to vote in person because of military service, and health or other challenges.

Unlike some supporters' assertions, this is not a play to control others nor to discourage participation in voting. Rather, I believe it is an effort to return the voice of the citizenry into their rightful hands.

**I strongly urge a YES vote on HB210 to refer this measure to the electorate.**

Thank you for reading my testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sam Vigil", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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