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OREGON STATE SENATE

Date: 04/10/2025

TO: Senate Committee on Judiciary

RE: Support for SB 1015

Chair Prozanski, Vice Chair Thatcher, and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to express my support of Senate Bill 1015, which is a continuation and enhancement of funding for community violence prevention and intervention programs, with a clear focus on directing resources to the communities most impacted by gun violence. As the data highlights, certain regions and communities—particularly in the metro area—are disproportionately affected by gun homicides and shootings, yet much of the initial funding was not allocated where it was needed most. The majority of funding was directed to areas with lower rates of gun violence, while areas such as Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties, which represent a significant portion of the gun violence in Oregon, did not receive proportional support.

It is essential that funding reaches those most at risk. Gun violence is a public health emergency, and we need to invest in programs that aim to keep it from spreading. Investment is critical in disrupting the cycles of violence and results in saving lives.

I urge a yes vote on Senate Bill 1015.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Janeen Sollman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Senator Janeen Sollman
Senate District 15