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St. Johns is a lower income, diverse community often overlooked for resources that does not deserve to be ignored when it comes to our safety in a natural disaster. My husband and I often "joke" that we'll have to resort to piling ourselves and our dogs into a kayak to try and make it out of our neighborhood in the event of an earthquake. We should not be cut off from medical and food supplies, our families, and other emergency supplies in the event of an earthquake. Proactively preparing now will reduce rescue costs in the event of an earthquake, cut down recovery times, and avoid unnecessarily risking the lives of Portlanders living in this neighborhood.