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I am a healthcare worker and a proud member of Portland for the last five years. In recent weeks, we have seen members of our community terrorized, teargassed and shot by masked men in unmarked vehicles claiming to be authorities.

Their presence makes me and my community feel less safe- knowing at any point my friends could be seized and thrown into a van, rehearsing scripts for what to say if confronted by ICE. And the recent events in Minneapolis make it clear that ICE is neither trustworthy nor accountable.

This measure aims to make ICE more accountable, making them properly identify themselves and banning their impersonation of other law enforcement agencies. This would help rein in rogue ICE agents and hold their entire organization to a higher standard.

Anyone opposing this measure is helping protect a rogue agency that is actively terrorizing our community. I strongly urge all of you to support this measure.