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On Behalf Of:
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Members of the Oregon Legislature,

The state has a monopoly on violence, which the people give in exchange for security and prosperity. The foundation of democracy is the idea that the government should answer to the people. Any concealment of officers identity or worse, affiliation/chain of command makes that accountability impossible. Even ignoring the current context of ICE, the State of Oregon's obligation to protect and remain accountable to its people necessitate the passing of this amendment. When the current federal administration's overreaches and abuses are taken into account, this becomes not just important but the most urgent piece of legislation around. Please do not delay, do not hesitate, outlaw masked murders operating under state protection, and bring power back to the people.

Thank you for your time,
Mitchell Septoff