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My name is Thomas Eskridge, I live in Molalla.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

Amendment 1 from our Constitution Bill of Rights

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment 2 from the same Bill of Rights

A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a Free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Do you remember your oath and these words you spoke and swore to uphold?

In the end, no constitution can be self-enforcing. Government officials must respect their oath to uphold our Constitution; and we the people must be vigilant that they do. Our forefathers drafted an extraordinarily thoughtful plan of government, but it is up to us, to each generation, to preserve and protect it for ourselves and for future generations. The Constitution will live only if it is alive in the hearts and minds of the American people.

When each of you took your oath of office, did you repeat your oath with honest intent to uphold the Constitution of The United States of America and the Constitution of the State of Oregon or were they just meaningless words you spoke but had no intention of honoring? The citizens have a right to know if each of you will honor your sworn oath.

No good will come from violating any part of the United States Constitution that made us the most prosperous nation in the history of the world and the document you all swore to uphold.

My point is this: unless we all become educated as to the things that our own government and the United Nations are trying to pull on us, we are facing a loss of freedom for not only us, but for our offspring for generations to come. How would you feel if your grandchild comes to you one day and asks you what Freedom and Liberty were like in America?

Thank you for your time!

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When you dig up enough dirt, everyone looks dirty!

Don't do it, everyone makes errors in judgement from time to time!