

The Hon. Jeff Barker, Chairman before the House Committee on Judiciary

Oregon State Legislature 900 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301

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Dear Honorable Representative Barker,

My name is Steven M. Brown, and I am Chair of the Oregon Association of the Deaf (OAD) legislative subcommittee. I would like to take a moment to share what we are doing, and impress upon you both its importance and what an honor it is to both participate in and observe in its effects.

OAD supports HB 2339 as Oregon Judicial Department (OJD) fights to make the most of every opportunity to get as much done for as many crime victims as possible, particularly for the disabilities. Because of your support, they can be finally heard.

Thank you for your strong leadership and for your commitment to make it achievable for all.

Sincerely,

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