

There is no good reason to replace the existing statues of persons who were instrumental in the founding of Oregon.

Further, this will be a very expensive endeavor. New statues must be commissioned and paid for. These are very heavy art works.

Shipping the new statues plus, replacing, removing and shipping the existing statues will involve significant cost. I cannot see how anyone would argue that, with all the other needs facing us, we could easily afford this, even assuming some merit to the idea.

What is the motivation and agenda behind this? It surely seems nonsensical, and I very much doubt that the majority of Oregon voters would buy in.

Sincerely,

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