Please have this read into SB-941 testimony

I am an Oregonian that opposes SB-941.

It was way back in 1990 when I graduated. It seems like so long ago, and in some ways, it was like yesterday. My first job out of school required relocating to California. It was going to be my first time living in another State. After completing the move, I started my job and got settled fairly quick. I would use my time off to get familiar with the city, learn how to navigate around, etc. After the first few months of work and getting settled, I was finally got around to making some new friends in the area. I remember being there almost a year before it actually felt like home.

A few months after I celebrated my first year in California, i started to recieve strange, threatening notes taped to my front foor on my condo. At first the notes never addressed anyone by name, so I thought they were probably intended for someone else. When the notes began to address me by name, it quickly became serious. I called the Police, but I didin't know who was writing these notes. They advised, if/when I am able to determine who is sending these notes, I am to call the Police and seek a restraining order. In the days after the the police visit, the notes increased in frequency and the angry/theatening rants grew stranger. I called my parents and filled them in the most recent note event. After hearing the recent note's content my Dad told me that I go buy a firearm to protect myself. The next morning I went to the local GunShop to buy one. After all the paperwork was complete buy a pistol in California, I was informed that there would be a 15 day waiting period before I could take possession.

9 days later, I was attacked in my apartment by a complete stranger using a hammer. Before the moment I was attacked, I had never seen, spoken to, or met the person who tried to murder me. It was estimated that I was hit about 15 times. 10 of the hammer blows were to my head (Which fractured my skull in multiple places) the remaining blows were to my neck, back, shoulder and one that fractured my clavicle. During the attack, I had screamed so loud my upstairs neighbor grabbed a baseball bat and raced down to my apartment. I dont remember screaming. I don't recall any sounds other the hammer hitting my flesh and bones.

This happened more than 25 years ago. I remember it like it was yesterday.

If I had had a firearm before I was attacked, I might have been able to stop the person who was trying to murder me.

If I had had a firearm before I was attacked, I might have been able to avoid the 6 surgeries to repair the damage.

If I had had a firearm before I was attacked, I might have been able to sleep like a normal person sleeps.

If I had had a firearm before I was attacked, I might have been able to see an unscarred version of myself.

If I had had a firearm before I was attacked, I might have been able to unsee what I have seen.

Any ordinance, law, or regulation that places a delay on our Second Amendment right is beyond disgusting.

NO DELAYS ARE ACCEPTABLE WHEN OUR RIGHTS ARE CONCERNED.

-VOTE NO ON SB-941.

If you vote yes on SB-941

At what point did you decide distrust the very people who elected you?At what point did you decide to ignore the very people who elected you?At what point did you start believing that the rights of others are subject to your will? Elected Officials should be protecting, preserving our rights.

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