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Representative Jeff Barker, Chair
House Judiciary Committee
900 Court St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

Re: Support for HB 2992

Dear Chair Barker and Members of the Committee,

I am writing today on behalf of the more than 21,000 members of the Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA) in support of the school volunteer criminal background check bill, HB 2992.

OSEA represents employees working in Oregon school districts, community colleges, education service districts, Head Start agencies, libraries and park and recreation districts. This includes educators in both the public and private sector, and in charter schools.

HB 2992 requires public, private and charter school boards to develop a policy to require school volunteers to undergo a criminal background check if they will be working unsupervised with students in schools.

To ensure the safety of staff and students in schools, OSEA supports criminal background checks including for school volunteers. For this reason, we urge the committee's support of HB 2992.

Thank you,

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