

Dear Honorable Task Force members and fellow Oregonians, Please accept this testimony as my attestation thru observation, that the policing reforms before our state's legislative bodies represent only a jumping off point for addressing the rampant and morally abhorrent treatment of all people's of color throughout our state and nation. Looking at the history of our society, using any objective measure at our disposal, the only conclusion possible is that our society wishes to humiliate, disenfranchise, abuse, exploit and destroy minority groups.

If this premise is not true, then we must energetically Isolate and abolish every last vestige of this twisted system and its hateful conspirators. The world is watching what America really stands for. Will it be continued fear, militarism and mass incarceration?As Oregonians, we can answer the call to help America create a new, truly unified path to a just future, today. I implore all Oregonians to support these reforms in every way possible. Adopting these initial efforts is the the most vital undertaking of our time- even over the devastating affects of a raging Pandemic. Because while economic disruption, sickness and death threaten us mightily, the continued subjugation of our fellow human beings and careless apathy for the work of eradicating racism portends a sentence far worse.

Thank you for your time and interest.

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