I have respiratory issues and I have to forego my right to participate in peaceful protests if I could be subjected to tear gas just by being there. "Riot" should not be an exception because who know what constitutes a riot? Any disruptive behavior could be used as an excuse to call an otherwise nonviolent protest a riot and thus subject peaceful protesters, or even bystanders, to a dangerous substance. Moreover, use of this substance during the COVID pandemic is criminal behavior.

Banning teargas is the only solution for everyone's health and safety. Period.

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