The use of "less lethal" munitions and tear gas are WELL BEYOND way out of hand in Portland. So much that they are using expired tear gas nightly and the effects people are feeling are increasingly worse.

Use of CS Gas and other mysterious chemical aerosols are dangerous to the health and safety of our community: COVID. HOMELESS. GAS IN HOMES. STREAM RUN OFF. BIRDS. TREES. WILDLIFE.

Use of rubber bullets and "less lethal" munitions have put numerous people in the hospital. Police consistently aim at the head and eyes of peaceful protesters, journalists, and medics.

Declaring a "riot" has become an arbitrary announcement with very little accountability. The definition is vague and has been misused by LE to justify violence. Designating an accountable party to determine when a riot is truly occurring is a step towards reform.

Police have been covering their badge numbers for weeks, making it difficult to file complaints on officers.

Federal agents have refused to give identifying information when making arrests, leading to concern about civil rights violations.

Officers who repeatedly use excessive force and violence are currently protected with anonymity, the current police administration is allowing them to cover their names and badge numbers, and has gone to great lengths to create a convoluted system so police officers cannot be identified by the public.

We demand systemic change in a systemically racist system. Change the coarse of Oregon. We all know this state is rooted in deeply in white supremacy. Let's work towards being the kind of state Oregon claims to be.

-Brice Suprenant

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