The senseless and tragic killing of George Floyd makes it clearer than ever that it is on all of us to fight for a country where being a person of color isn't a death sentence.

As our state and the country reel from the senseless murder of George Floyd, the time is now for meaningful action that curbs police violence and addresses systemic racism in our policing and criminal justice systems. Please consider the following recommendations:

1.) Eliminate unnecessary interactions between the police and community members, which too often lead to violence and death.

2.) Implement common-sense, legally enforceable constraints so that there are only very rare instances in which police officers can use force against community members.

3.) Hold officers accountable when they use excessive force or violence, starting with the requirement to release videos of officer-involved shootings and interactions that result in death.

As your constituent, I strongly urge you to take these recommendations to enact legislation for bold police reform in Oregon.

Sincerely,

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