Hello,

My name is Melissa Himmelman and I live in Portland, Oregon. I have a family and my son is currently in the 9th grade. I support the Senate Bill 664 to mandate Holocaust and genocide education in the state's public schools. I strongly believe in this necessary legislation for the importance of the future education of students. The Holocaust was a horrific genocide of six million Jews plus five million others. Teaching Oregon students about the horrific atrocities of the Holocaust and genocide is important to provide education about the effects of prejudice and discrimination and better understand topics related to morality and social justice.

Thank you for your consideration.

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