Good afternoon, Chair Prozanski and Vice Chair Thatcher.

I am a resident of the City of Portland and the State of Oregon and I support all sexual assault survivors. I completely support the passing of SB 482 which will eliminate the trauma and difficulty and expense experienced by survivors during the process of sexual assault restraining order annual renewal. The protection afforded to vulnerable people, children, and survivors by a sexual assault restraining order should not be a protection that demands an annual judgment to renew. The safety risk to these people does not go away and the protection they have striven to obtain should be permanent and free from the fear, humiliation, trauma and damage of an annual renewal process.

Please listen to the deeply knowledgeable voices of sexual assault survivors and the advocacy organizations and community that supports them and enact this bill into law.

Thank you for your time,

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