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**Council President Lynn Peterson**

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Sen. Floyd Prozanski, Chair  
Senate Committee on Judiciary  
Oregon State Capitol  
Salem, OR 97301

**RE: Support for HB 2625**

Senator Prozanski and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Metro Council, I am writing to urge your support for HB 2625, which directs the Department of State Police to study how to increase and improve criminal justice resources relating to missing and murdered Native American women in Oregon.

Last year, the Metro Council passed Resolution No. 18-4891, for the purpose of proclaiming May 5, 2018 as a Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls. Attached is the signed proclamation, which I respectfully submit into the record in support of HB 2625.

For your information, the Metro Council will consider and vote on a follow-up resolution related to missing and murdered Indigenous women at our next Council meeting on Thursday, May 2. This resolution will urge passage of HB 2625.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lynn Peterson  
On behalf of the Metro Council