

Dear Committee,

Music is a unifying force. Given the changes over the past year, we could use a song which unifies us as a state and a local community and represents a common vision, a kind of Oregon mission statement. This song should celebrate the Oregon spirit of individualism and community action to improving life for all Oregonians: increased opportunities, support of entrepreneurs, helping empower those living on the streets find work and acquire healthy abodes (soft love and tough love), through fairness, equity, and commitment to the common good. Creating a unifying song for Oregon could be a way we claim as a common purpose all can work towards realizing.

Thank you for your consideration,

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