Fix Failed Measure 110

We are Lane County residents and have been Oregon voters for over 40 years. We also grew up in Portland and from our now longtime vantage point in Lane County have been appalled at what has taken place in our hometown and around the state as a result of the self-evident disaster caused by Measure 110. Even as moderate democrats, we could not understand when it was on the ballot how "well-meaning" people could be so naive. It was an obvious recipe for unfettered drug use without accountability. We strongly urge the Legislature to end this tragic nightmare as soon as possible by enacting the following:

- 1) Make possession of lethal drugs a misdemeanor crime once again.
- 2) Give law enforcement tools to steer addicts to mandatory treatment as a way to avoid jail.
- 3) Increase penalties for drug dealing and public drug use

Human beings, especially those whose judgment is destroyed by drug addiction, are not capable of making positive changes without facing consequences for their actions. Measure 110, by taking that away, has led only to a proliferation of drug use, suffering, high crime, and death. Please take steps to prevent further tragedy and damage to our state.

Sincerely,

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