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In a time when it is increasingly dangerous to be assigned female at birth (AFAB) or identify as anything other than cisgender, access to reproductive and gender-affirming care is crucial. Reproductive care is healthcare. Gender-affirming care is healthcare. Not protecting the right to either of these forms of healthcare is inhumane and would only lead to further physical and mental health complications. This, in turn, would lead to unnecessary economic and social costs, in addition to individual turmoil. Not providing this legal protection would only harm Oregonians and set back our progress in providing excellent public health and medical care.