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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure: SJR33

Dear Chair Lieber, Vice-Chair Knopp, and members of the Senate Committee On Rules,

I am writing today to voice my full support for SJR 33, relating to the proposal of an amendment to Oregon's Constitution on an enumeration of equal rights.

Thank you for taking the time to read my statement about why I think it is more important than ever before that Oregonians have the opportunity to write the right to same-sex marriage, abortion care, and gender-affirming care into our state's Constitution.

I am a parent to three young children. I do not know who my kids will grow up to be or what experiences they may have, which may require protection of one or more of these rights. I want my kids, my niece and nephew, and all of their peers in Oregon to have a choice in who they marry and what happens to their own bodies. These rights are critical for a number of reasons, including mental and physical health; because these rights are being taken away in terrifying fashion in numerous parts of our country, it is critical that Oregon takes this step to put constitutional safeguards in place.

I hope we can count on you to support SJR 33.